Torrey Pines

You weren't there,
so I'll tell you all about it.

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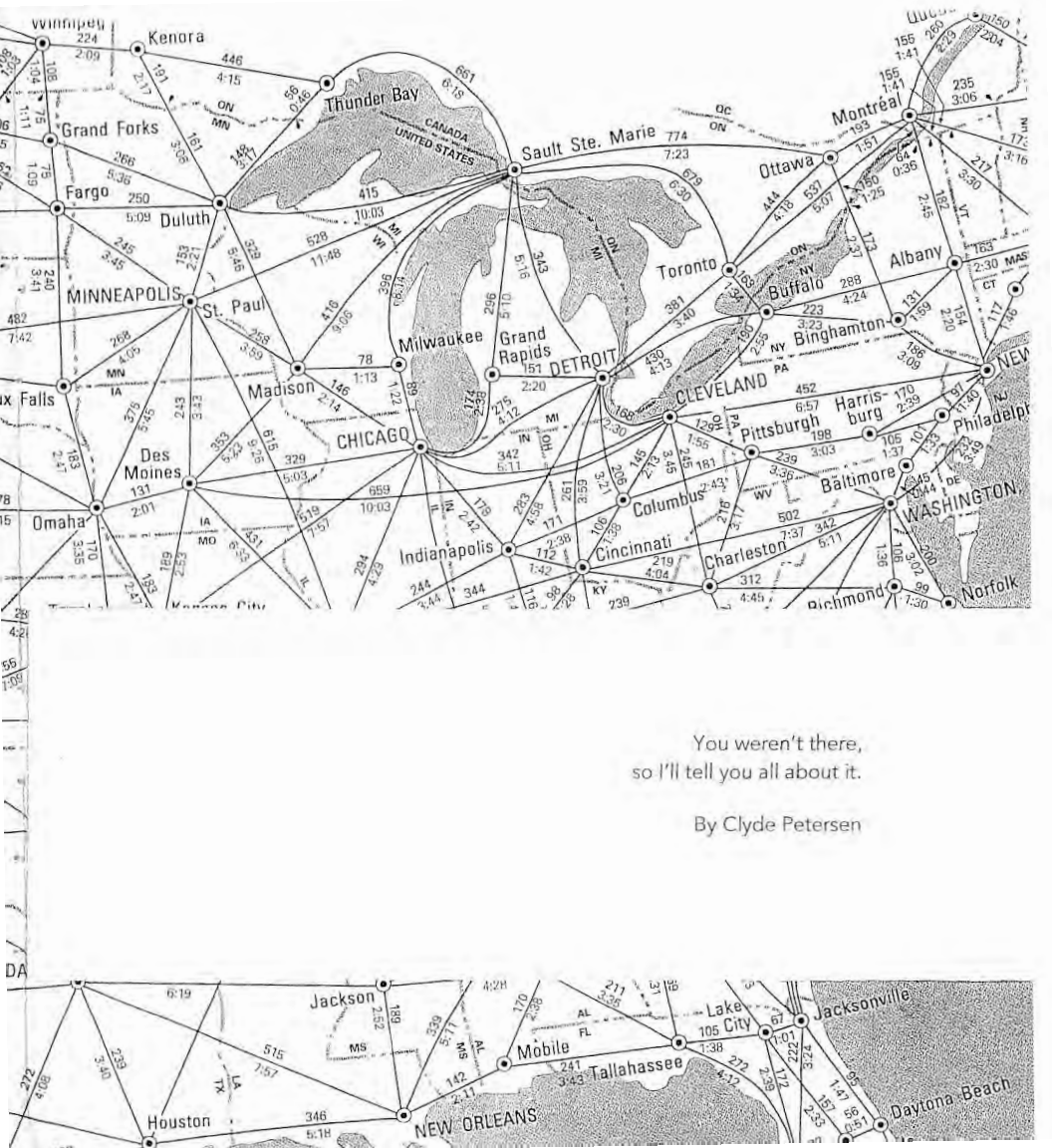

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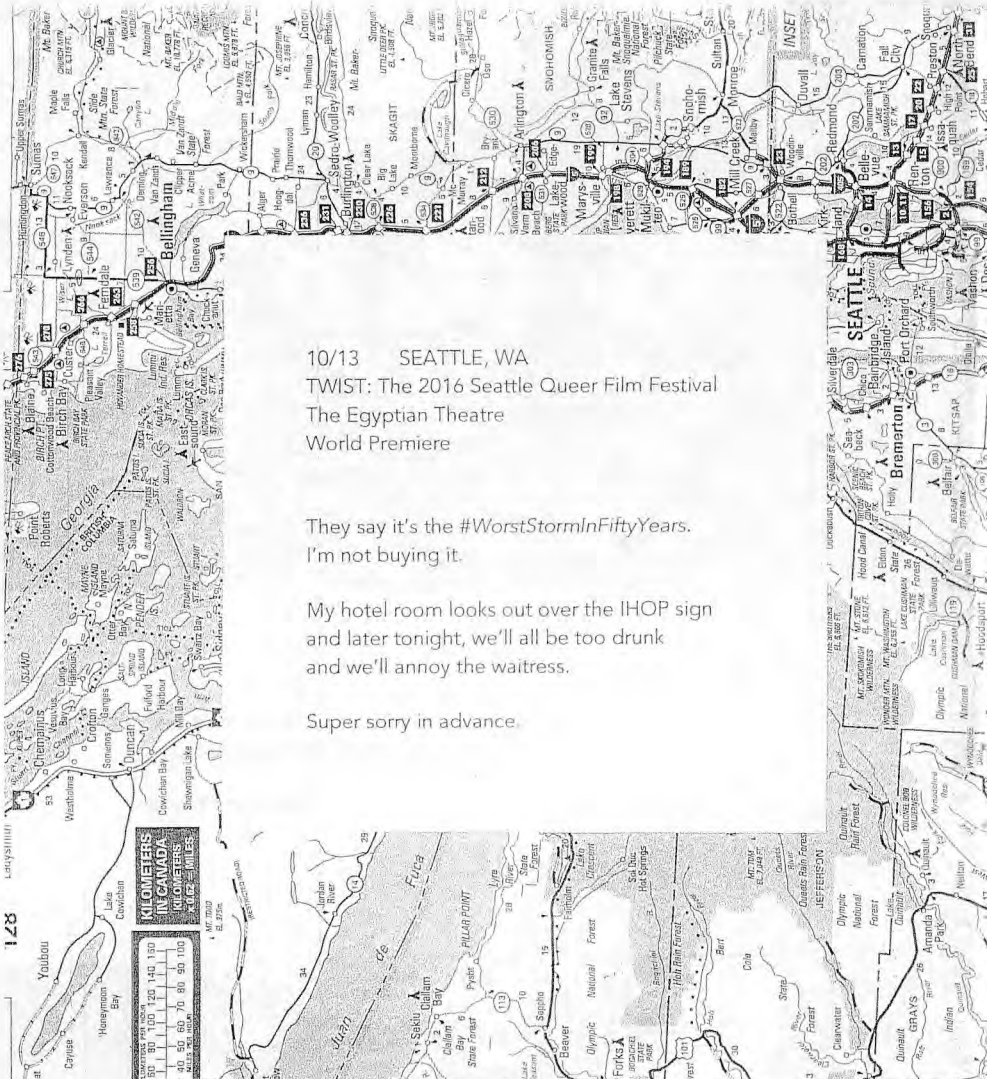
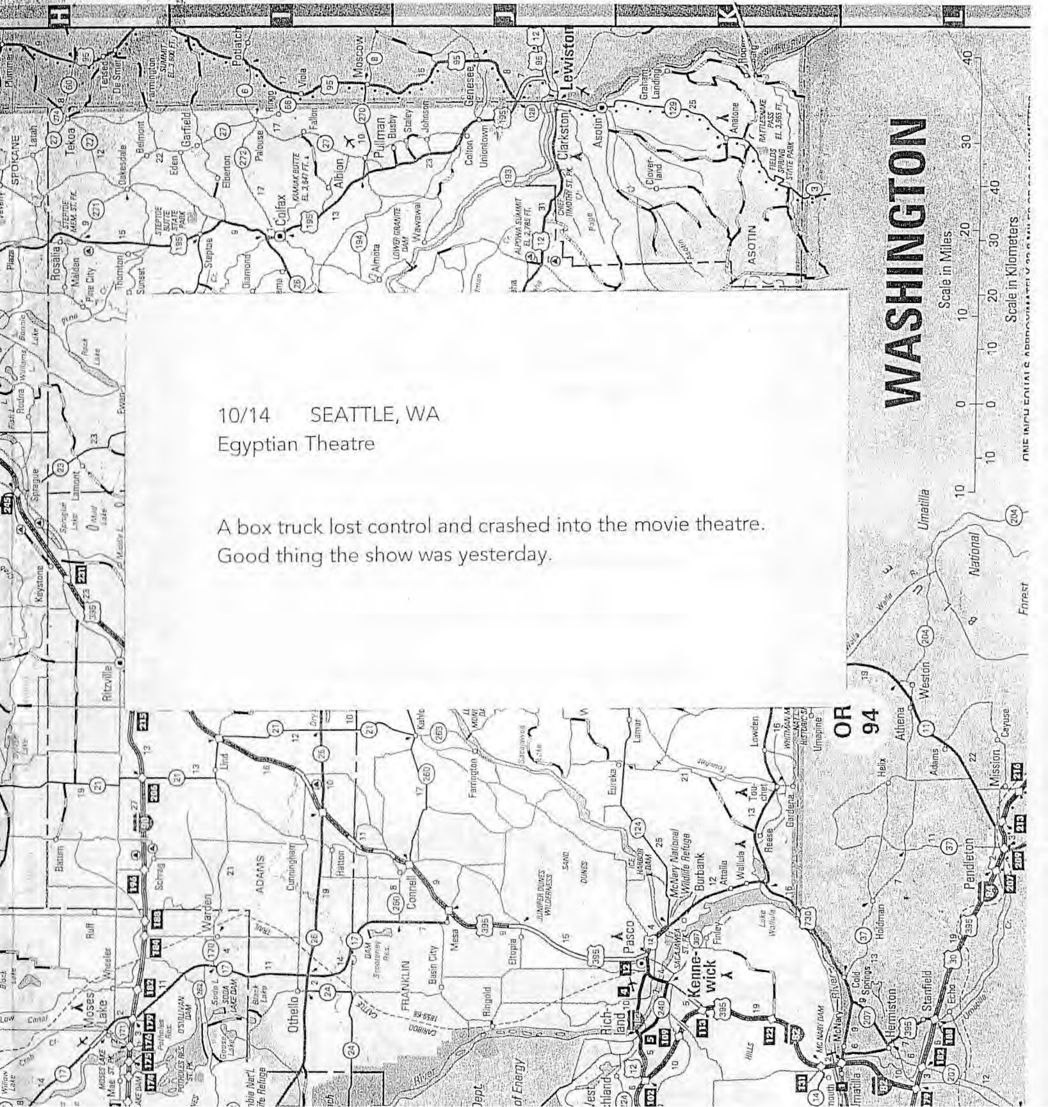


10/13 SEATTLE, WA
TWIST: The 2016 Seattle Queer Film Festival
The Egyptian Theatre
World Premiere

They say it's the *#WorstStormInFiftyYears*.
I'm not buying it.

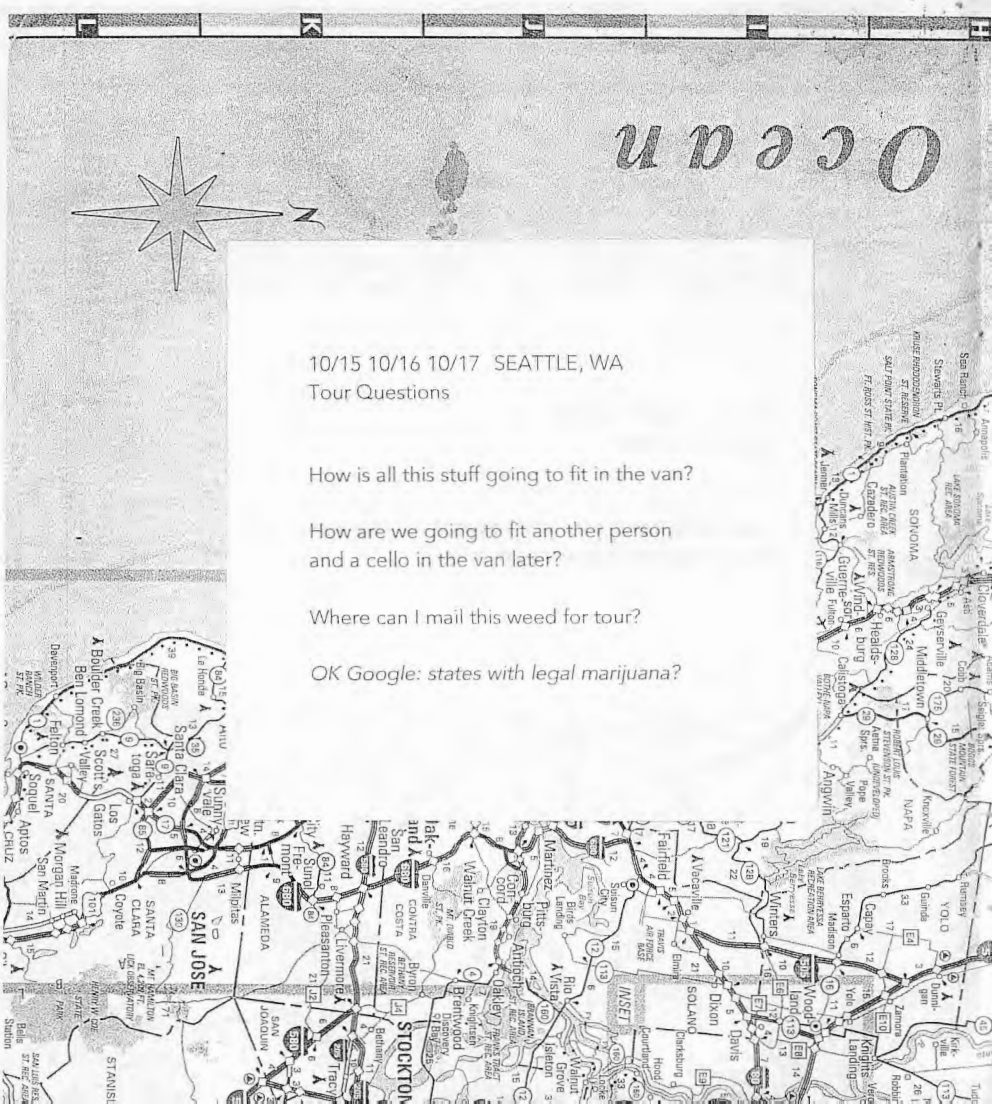
My hotel room looks out over the IHOP sign
and later tonight, we'll all be too drunk
and we'll annoy the waitress.

Super sorry in advance.



10/14 SEATTLE, WA
Egyptian Theatre

A box truck lost control and crashed into the movie theatre.
Good thing the show was yesterday.



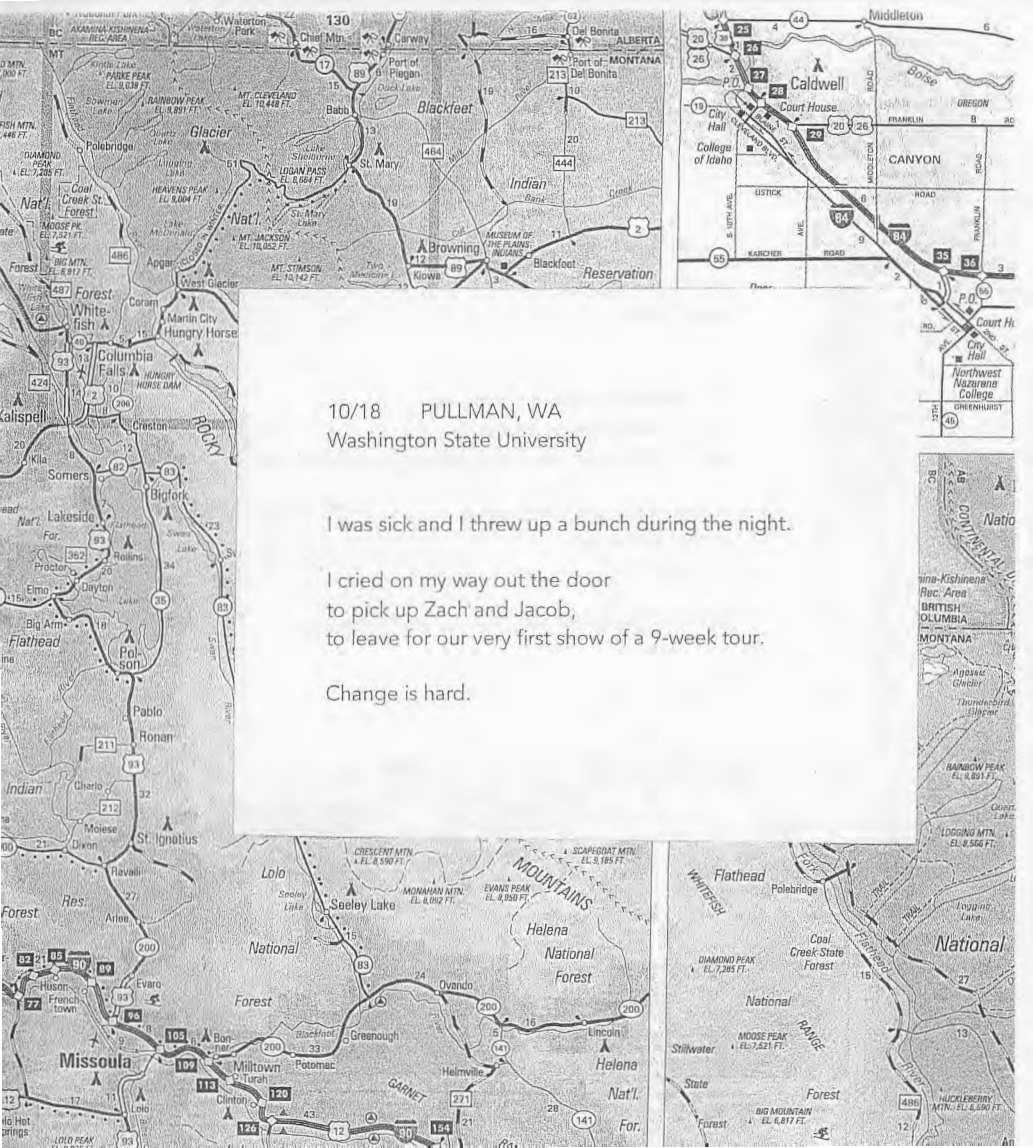
10/15 10/16 10/17 SEATTLE, WA
Tour Questions

How is all this stuff going to fit in the van?

How are we going to fit another person and a cello in the van later?

Where can I mail this weed for tour?

OK Google: states with legal marijuana?

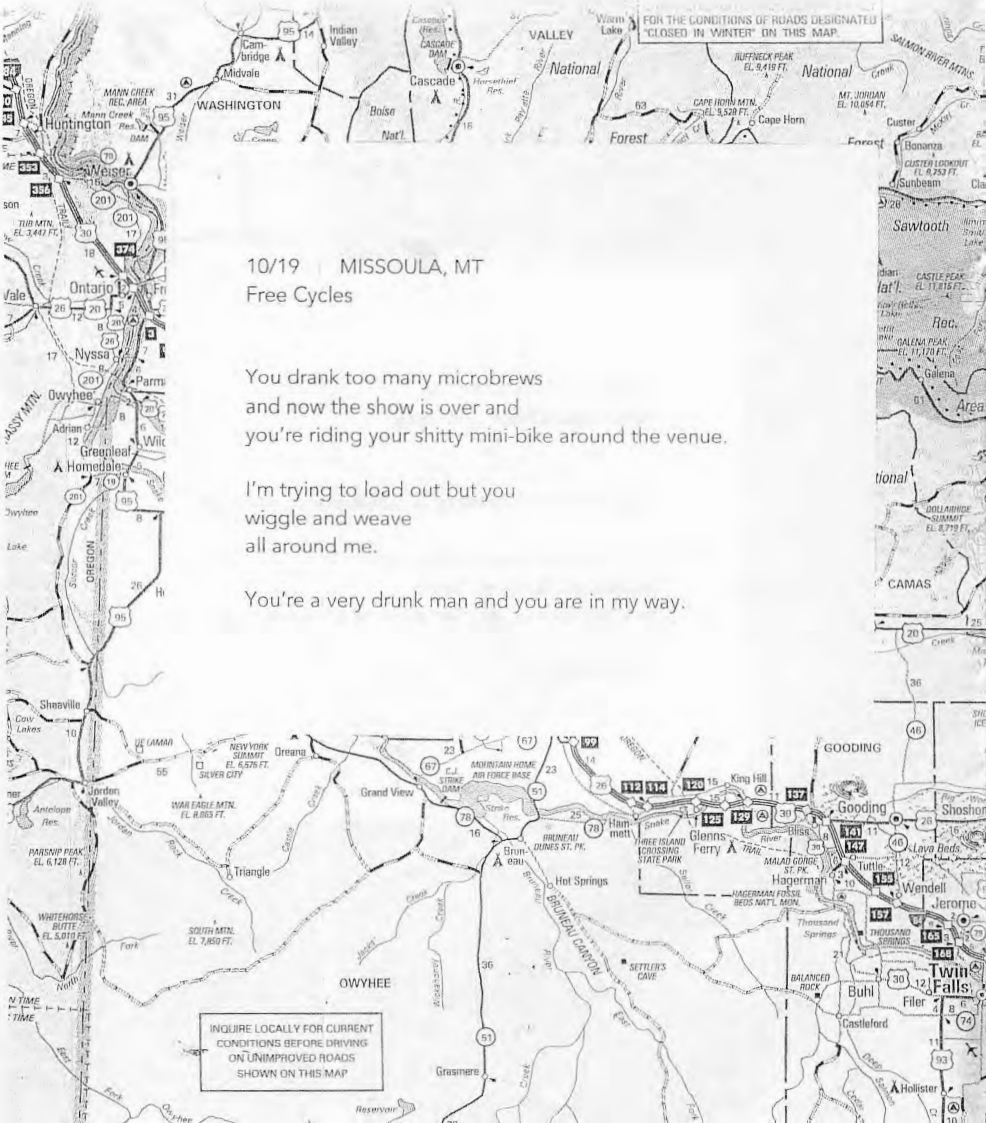


10/18 PULLMAN, WA
Washington State University

I was sick and I threw up a bunch during the night.

I cried on my way out the door
to pick up Zach and Jacob,
to leave for our very first show of a 9-week tour.

Change is hard.



10/19 | MISSOULA, MT
Free Cycles

You drank too many microbrews
and now the show is over and
you're riding your shitty mini-bike around the venue.

I'm trying to load out but you
wiggle and weave
all around me.

You're a very drunk man and you are in my way.

10/20 CALGARY, CANADA
The Globe Theatre

I may never again see such a beautiful landscape
as we saw today from Missoula and Calgary.

It was like a goddamn eagle landed on my arm
and screamed in my face to enjoy the splendor
of the Canadian Rockies while holding burning claws
full of hundred dollar bills, to the soundtrack of
a new Solange album.

That is how beautiful it was today.

10/21 CALGARY TO REGINA, CANADA
Canadian Prairies

Alberta truck stop diner
waitress stares out at the road
Nothing for miles
but wind and wheat
the prairie skies
her northern home

Homemade sign reads
Bryan Adams tickets to be sold
$120 for the concert includes dinner
and bus fare there and home

And you sang

Oh Canada
A beauty to behold
Roll on prairies, roll on prairies
The secrets you have shown

Oh Canada
A beauty to be held
Roll on prairies, roll on prairies
The secrets you could tell

How linear to think above the mountains there's no grain
When a sphere has no lines no guides
no boundaries to contain

Where once was ice
now cattle graze in rolling golden hills
Where once was sea, there's Yukon snow
and frozen wolf pack trails

And you sang

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The secrets you could tell*

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*https://yourheartbreaks.bandcamp.com/

10/22 REGINA, CANADA

Saskatchewan Filmpool Cooperative

★★★★★

It's hard to discuss Regina, Saskatchewan without mentioning the myriad of world-class breakfast options. For example: Mr. Breakfast or Shaw Foods Halal Meat's Lunch Buffet. With so many old stand bys to rely upon over and over, again and again, day by day, minute by delicious minute, I find it hard to find the time to find a new spot. Today, however, I was thrilled to have delighted in the wonderful Café Français, a cute coffee cavern with a dangerous lean towards the gourmet.

I ordered the catch of the day: plump, cinnamon dusted, brioche French toast slices; a hot, buttery, buoyant, bacon omelet, and a lavish lil creamy fruit masterpiece that in France we call "parfait."

With each bite of the Chef's Delight I was transplanted deep into the tangles my mind, as far back as I care to remember, my first summer in Paris. I swished the yogurt parfait through my teeth and could feel the chill of the brisk winter nights I walked the dangerous streets of the Louvre. I bit down upon the dripping, syrupy brioche and couldn't help but dream of the spaghetti my new love and I tasted at the revolving restaurant atop the Eiffel Tower. I sipped the coffee and could feel the warm beret upon my freshly shaven head. Paris, I'm yours. I'm sad.

Zach Burba's YELP review of Café Français*

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*https://www.yelp.com/biz/cafe-francais-regina

10/22 CANADIAN/AMERICAN BORDER
North Dakota, Northgate Port of Entry

At the Canadian/American border in North Dakota,
we ask 3 hunters to take our photo in the tourist Mountie sign.
They walk right past, pretending they cannot hear us.

They are busy preparing to cross the border
with their truck full of dead animals.

The girl who works in the store kindly takes our photo instead.

At the Canadian/American border in North Dakota,
we are separated, held and interviewed individually.

They want to know where our drugs are.

They really want our drugs, because clearly,
they don't have any of their own weed to smoke
tonight in rural North Dakota.

So they really fucking want ours.

They want to know if we have any grinders,
or pipes or drug paraphernalia,
and if we give it to them now,
it will be *much better than when they find it in the van later.*

I want to yell at them, *Look dude, we don't have any drugs because we mailed them to ourselves, to a state where it's legal, for later on tour! We're not fucking idiots.*

But this does not seem like a good idea.

Meanwhile, in the border crossing waiting room,
the self-absorbed hunters huddle
around a small table filling out forms.

SK for Skin.

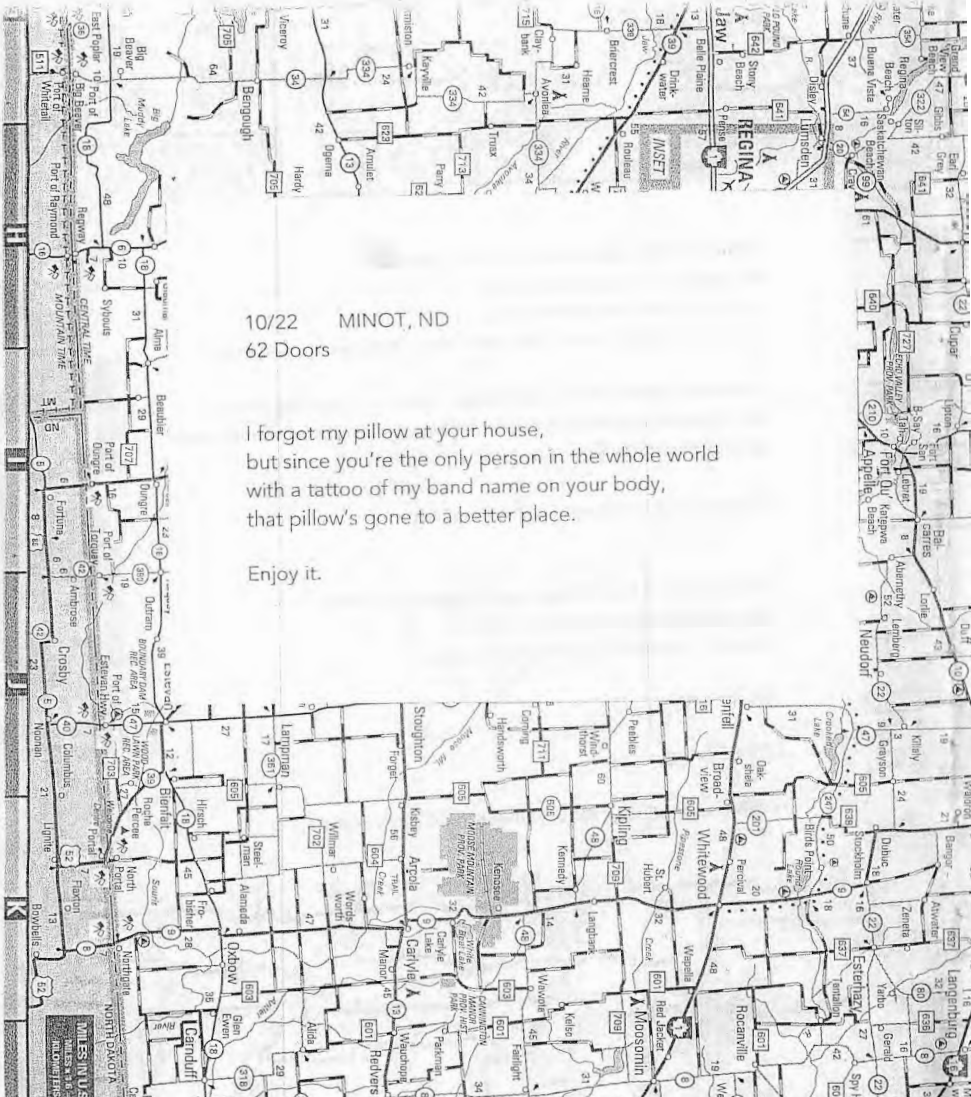
TR for Trophy.

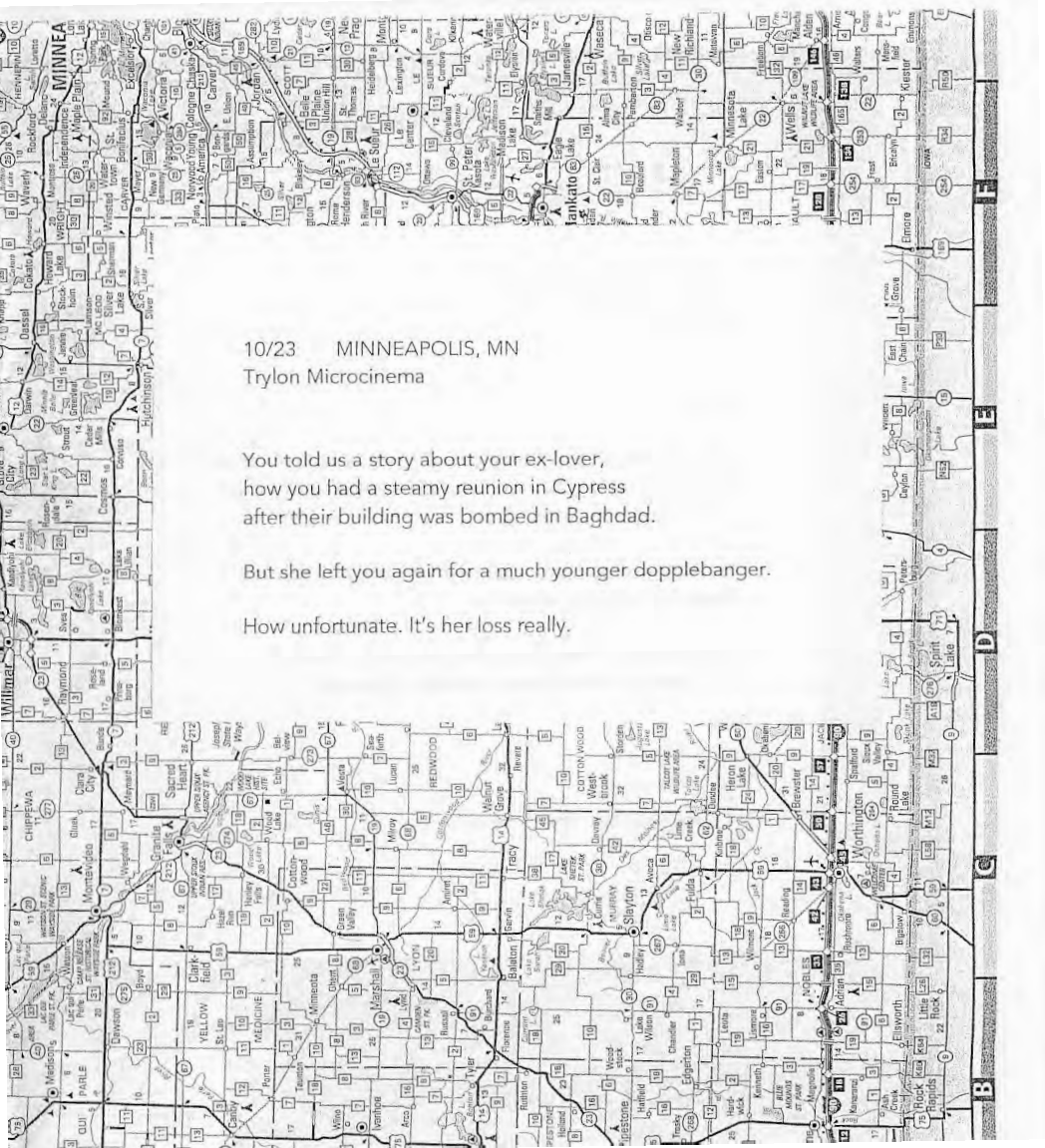
Above them a sign reads: Children's Coloring Area.

10/22 MINOT, ND
62 Doors

I forgot my pillow at your house,
but since you're the only person in the whole world
with a tattoo of my band name on your body,
that pillow's gone to a better place.

Enjoy it.





10/23 MINNEAPOLIS, MN
Trylon Microcinema

You told us a story about your ex-lover,
how you had a steamy reunion in Cypress
after their building was bombed in Baghdad.

But she left you again for a much younger dopplebanger.

How unfortunate. It's her loss really.

10/24 IOWA CITY, IA
FilmScene

Curt.*

Why does your dad have so many mattresses in his house?
I mean, I'm into it, because it's nice to each have a bed
or a mattress to sleep on.

But why does a single man have so many mattresses?
What is he holding onto?

Does he stack them all up when no one is around
and jump on them like an American Gladiator?

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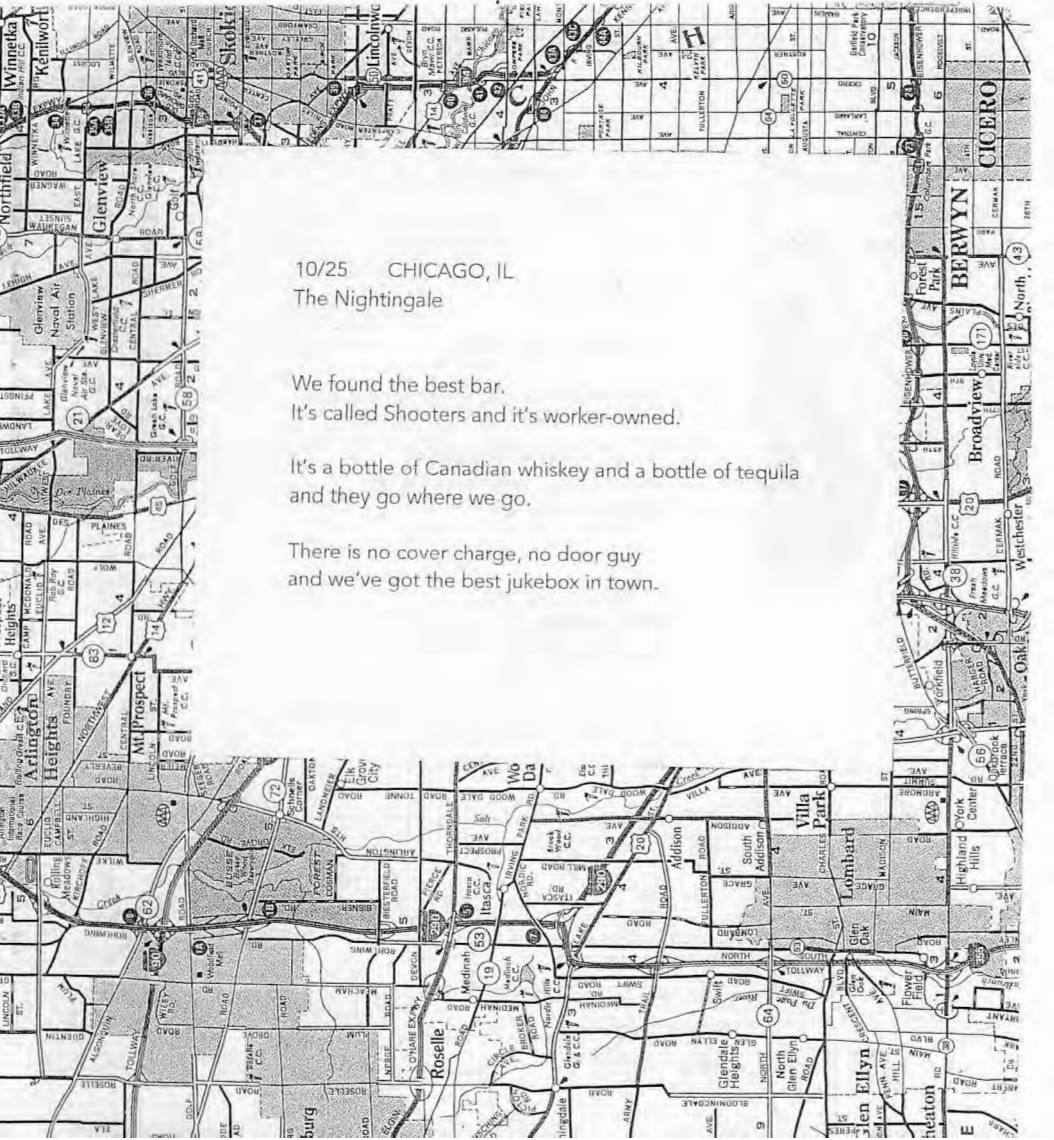
* https://curtoren.bandcamp.com/



10/25 CHICAGO, IL
The Nightingale

We found the best bar.
It's called Shooters and it's worker-owned.

It's a bottle of Canadian whiskey and a bottle of tequila
and they go where we go.

There is no cover charge, no door guy
and we've got the best jukebox in town.

10/26 DETROIT, MI
Trumbullplex

It's pouring rain.

The casino neon glows.

A late-night hot dog to soothe the soul.

Where's a saxophone player
on a smoking manhole in the rain
when you need one?

I'll take one hot dog
with chili and onions please.
And a side of fries.

Damn that's a fucked-up looking hot dog.
Structurally speaking that is.
This bun is not built to support this chili.

It's 10 pounds of chili in a 5-pound bun.

10/27 AKRON, OH
Hive Mind

Breakfast at the Akron Walmart.
Gallons of mayonnaise overwhelm me.
I take a step back in the chip aisle: Too many options.

The checker, pointing to my case of LaCroix, says
What is that stuff? Why don't you just drink flavored water?

This one has bubbles, it's like fake beer, I respond.

She looks at the rest of my purchases: yogurt, croissant, granola, bananas.

What is this, Eating Healthy? she says.

It's called Breakfast at the Walmart, I reply.

Good News/Bad News

Good News: You don't have Scabies

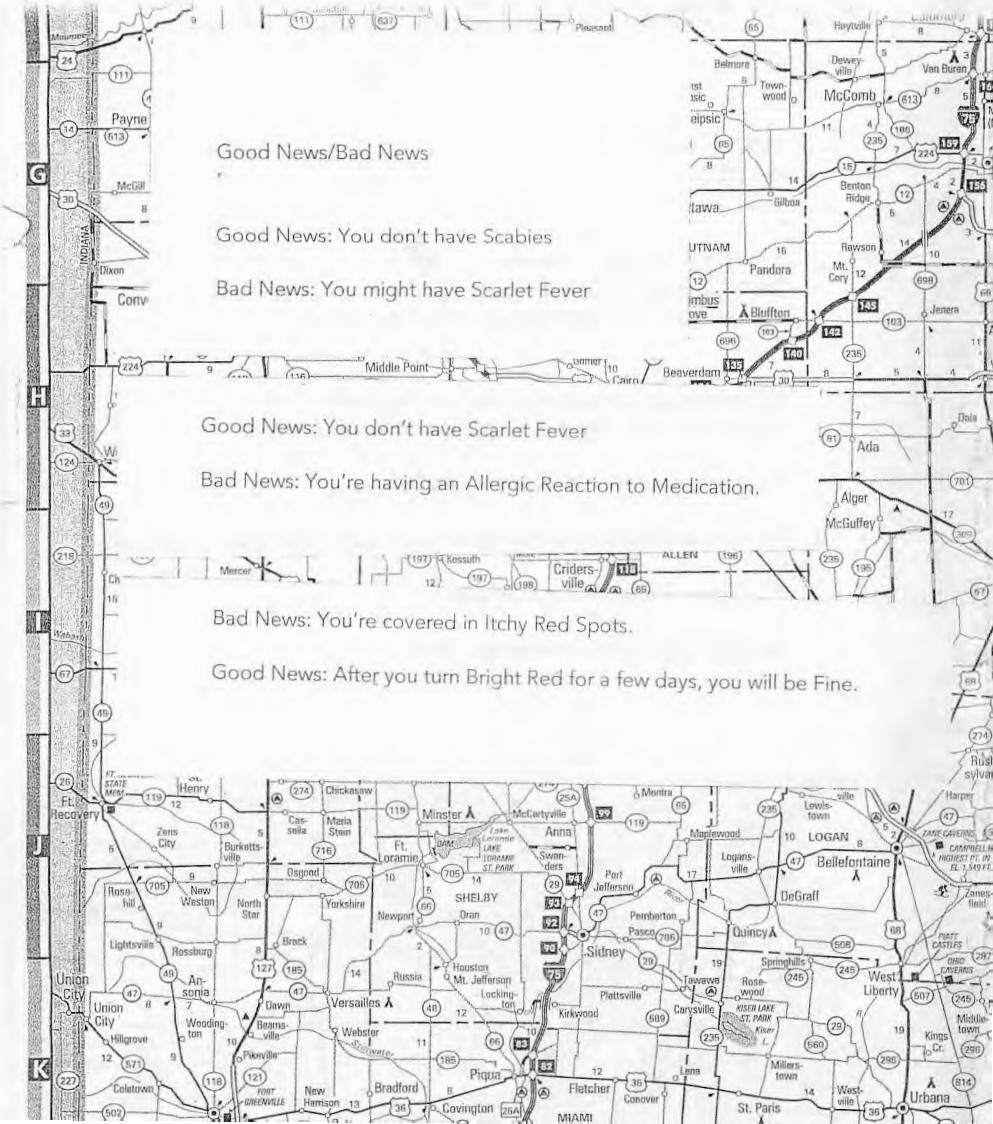
Bad News: You might have Scarlet Fever

Good News: You don't have Scarlet Fever

Bad News: You're having an Allergic Reaction to Medication.

Bad News: You're covered in Itchy Red Spots.

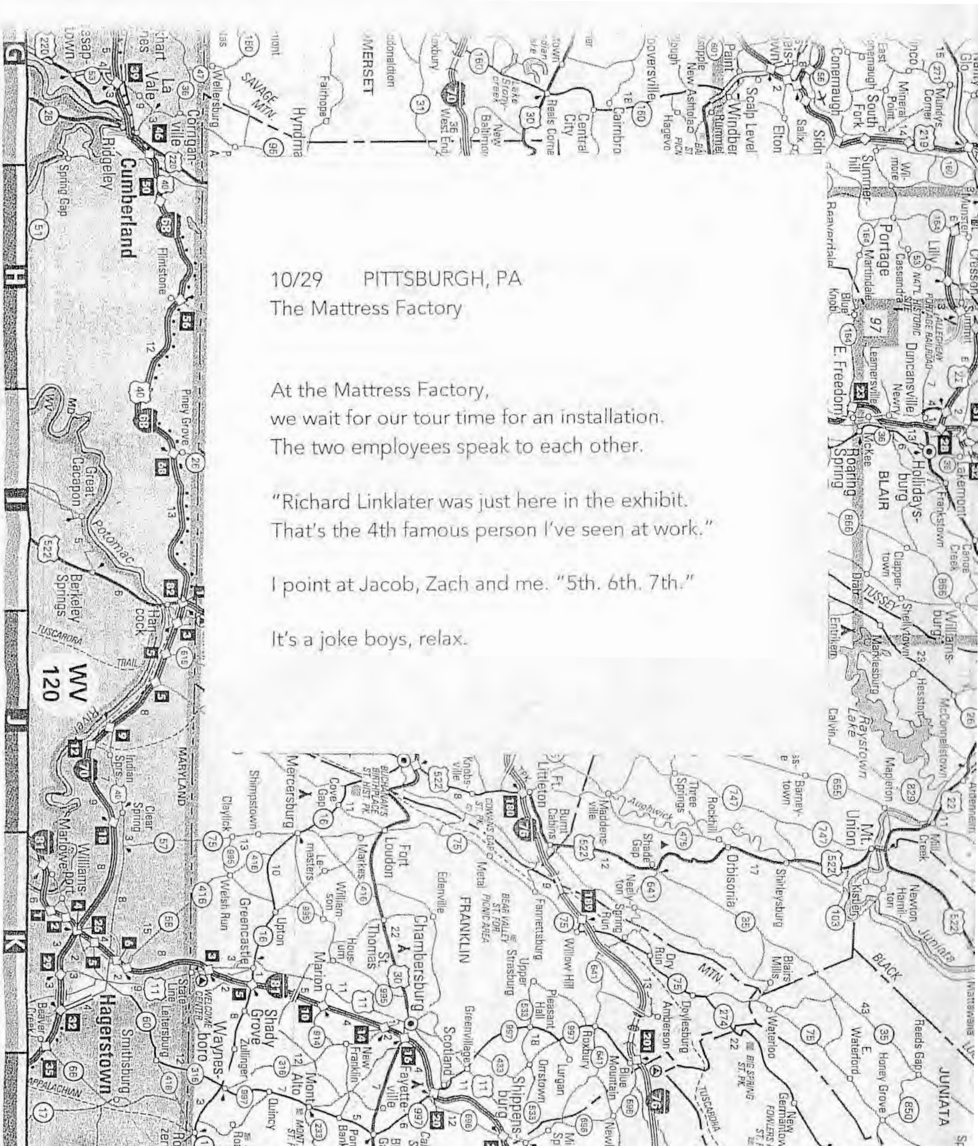
Good News: After you turn Bright Red for a few days, you will be Fine.



10/28 PITTSBURGH, PA
Babyland

This driveway is so steep and curved,
up on top of Polish Hill.

I back down it with fear guiding me,
and thousands of pounds of music equipment,
pulling at the brakes.



10/29 PITTSBURGH, PA
The Mattress Factory

At the Mattress Factory,
we wait for our tour time for an installation.
The two employees speak to each other.

"Richard Linklater was just here in the exhibit.
That's the 4th famous person I've seen at work."

I point at Jacob, Zach and me. "5th. 6th. 7th."

It's a joke boys, relax.

10/29 COLUMBUS, OH
Aspire

Where is the heartbeat of Ohio? I ask a local.
They say, *The closest thing is the shape of the state, heart-like.*

I can't find the pulse of Ohio. Is it North-South, Mid-Atlantic or Rust Belt?

It sprawls, flat.
A flock of birds springs from the Cracker Barrel billboard.

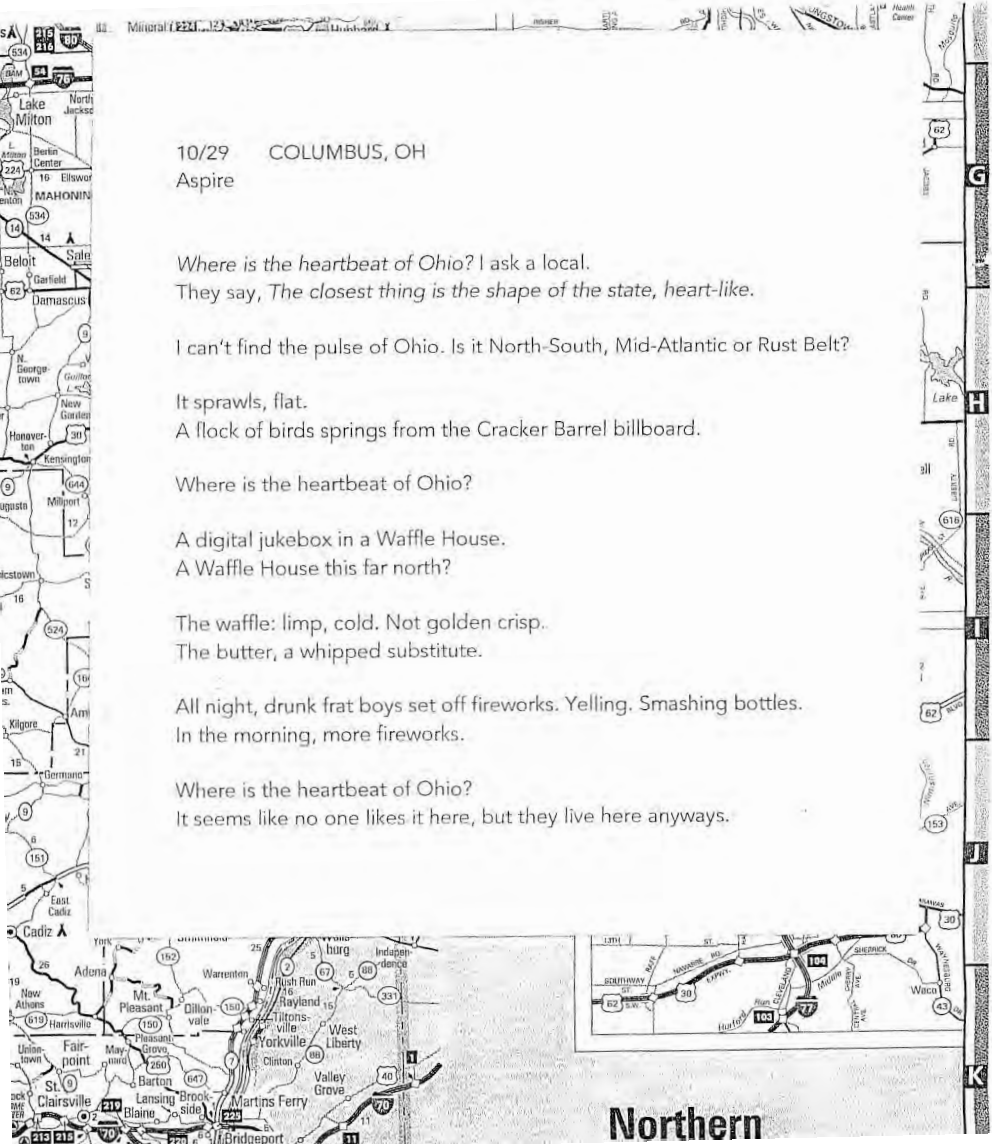
Where is the heartbeat of Ohio?

A digital jukebox in a Waffle House.
A Waffle House this far north?

The waffle: limp, cold. Not golden crisp.
The butter, a whipped substitute.

All night, drunk frat boys set off fireworks. Yelling. Smashing bottles.
In the morning, more fireworks.

Where is the heartbeat of Ohio?
It seems like no one likes it here, but they live here anyways.



10/30 COLUMBUS, OH
State of Mind

The thing people don't know about Ohio is that you can just put all of your shit in a bag and leave.

–Native Ohian Proverb

10/31 BLOOMINGTON, IN
The Void

It's so very odd, how in a small town like this,
none of my old friends hang out with one and another anymore.

Is it small town life? Or the internet?

Is it doomed to be like this? Is too much information a real thing?
If I know too much about you, will I not want to know you anymore?

I love all of these people, but they do not love each other.

Maybe I don't know them at all.

I guess that's how it is, for now at least.

11/1 DAYTON, OH
The Neon

Kelley Deal was our tour manager today.
So today was the best day of our lives.

It's all downhill from here.

11/1 DAYTON, OH
Shooters: A Touring Bar and Grill

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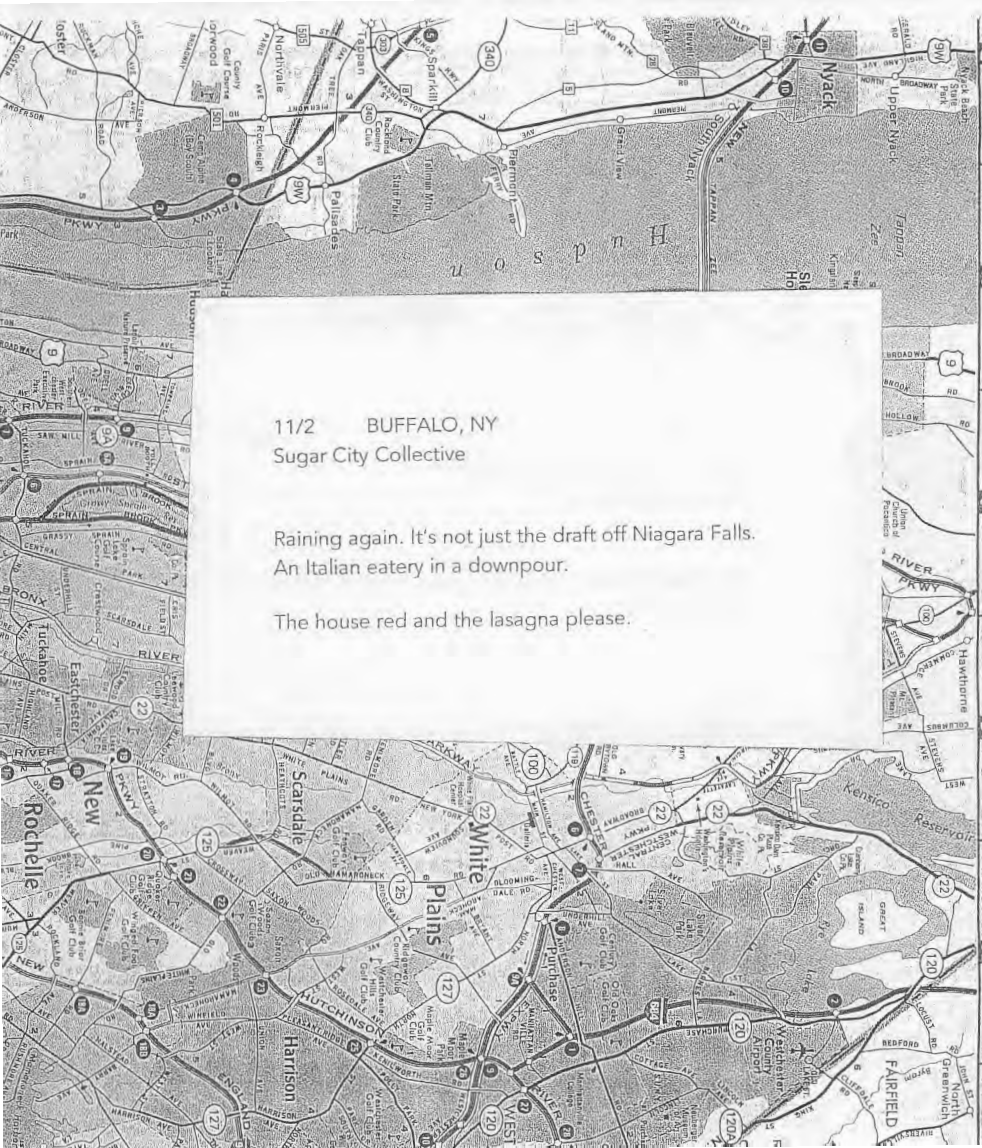


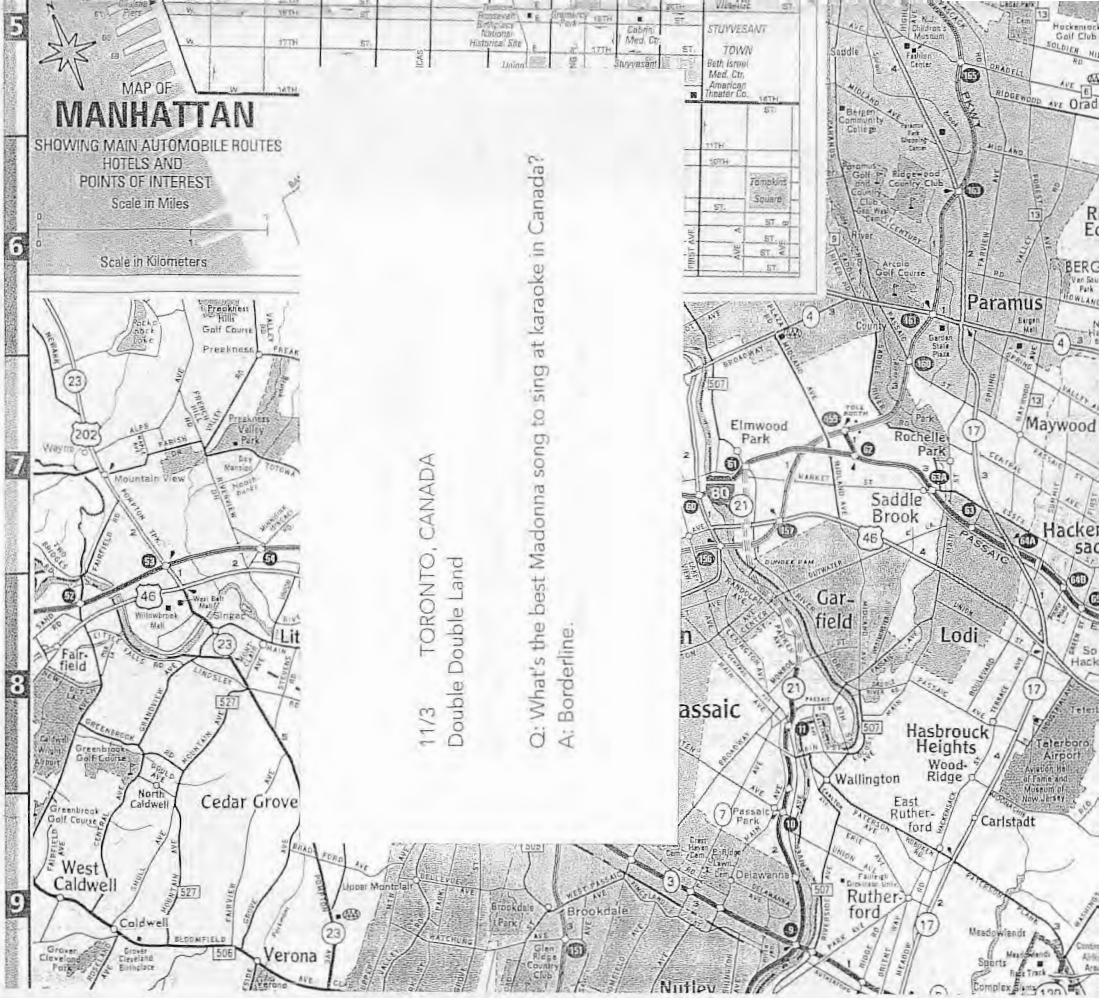
11/2 BUFFALO, NY
Sugar City Collective

Raining again. It's not just the draft off Niagara Falls.
An Italian eatery in a downpour.

The house red and the lasagna please.

11/3 TORONTO, CANADA
Double Double Land

Q: What's the best Madonna song to sing at karaoke in Canada?
A: Borderline.



11/4 BURLINGTON, VT
Champlain College

You are a college student.
You seem very worried about the future.
In particular, your future, as a writer.
You don't want to let your parents down.

There is a full carton of Ben & Jerry's
Chocolate Fudge Brownie Ice Cream
at this student/artist talk.

You should be a little bit less worried about your future
and a little bit more worried about how we're going to eat
all this ice cream before it melts.

11/5 WHITE RIVER JNCT, VT
Main Street Museum

It is important to smoke as much marijuana as possible,
to commit to being as high as humanly possible,
when spending the night in a DIY museum in a small town in Vermont,
full of homemade taxidermy, abstract collections, Elvis's toenail,
a crystal ball and 2 rat terriers,
connected, only, to each other by a short leash,
but not tethered to a physical location.

The dogs spin and bark and spin,
pushing and tugging at each other with centrifugal force.

It is important, once to you are as high as heaven,
to open every door you can open.
Tread every path imaginable, because it is magical
and there is no other place like the Main Street Museum
in the entire world.

Also, you don't have to play here to stay here.
They're on Airbnb.

Lucky you.

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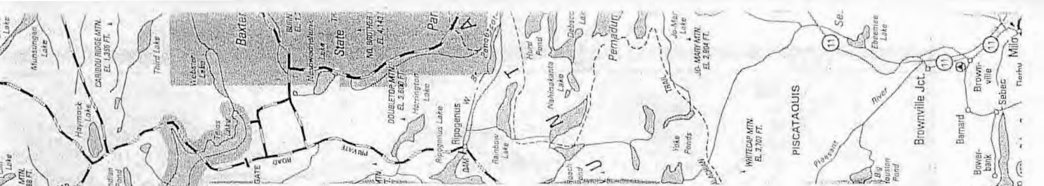
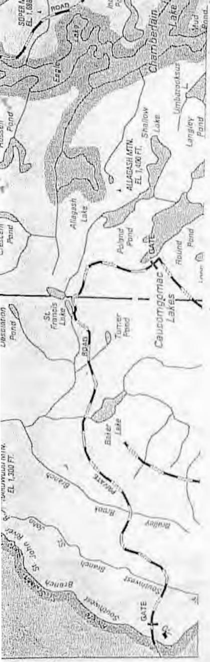
https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/3940716





11/6 PORTLAND, ME
Overlook

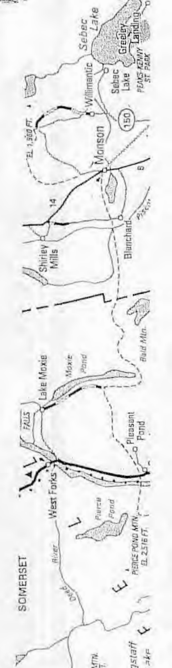
Maine.

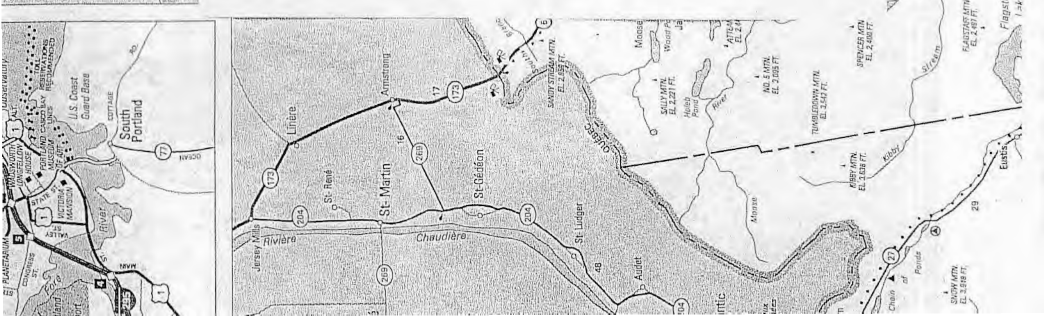
You let me down.
Or I let myself down.

I've never been here as an adult.

I assumed you would offer me something
to satisfy that Maine-shaped hole in my greedy mind,
but I'm not sure what I was expecting.

A Welcome Lobster would have been nice.





11/7 BENNINGTON, VT
Bennington College

This is the best thing I can find when I Google
"New Hampshire State Liquor and Wine Outlets Images"

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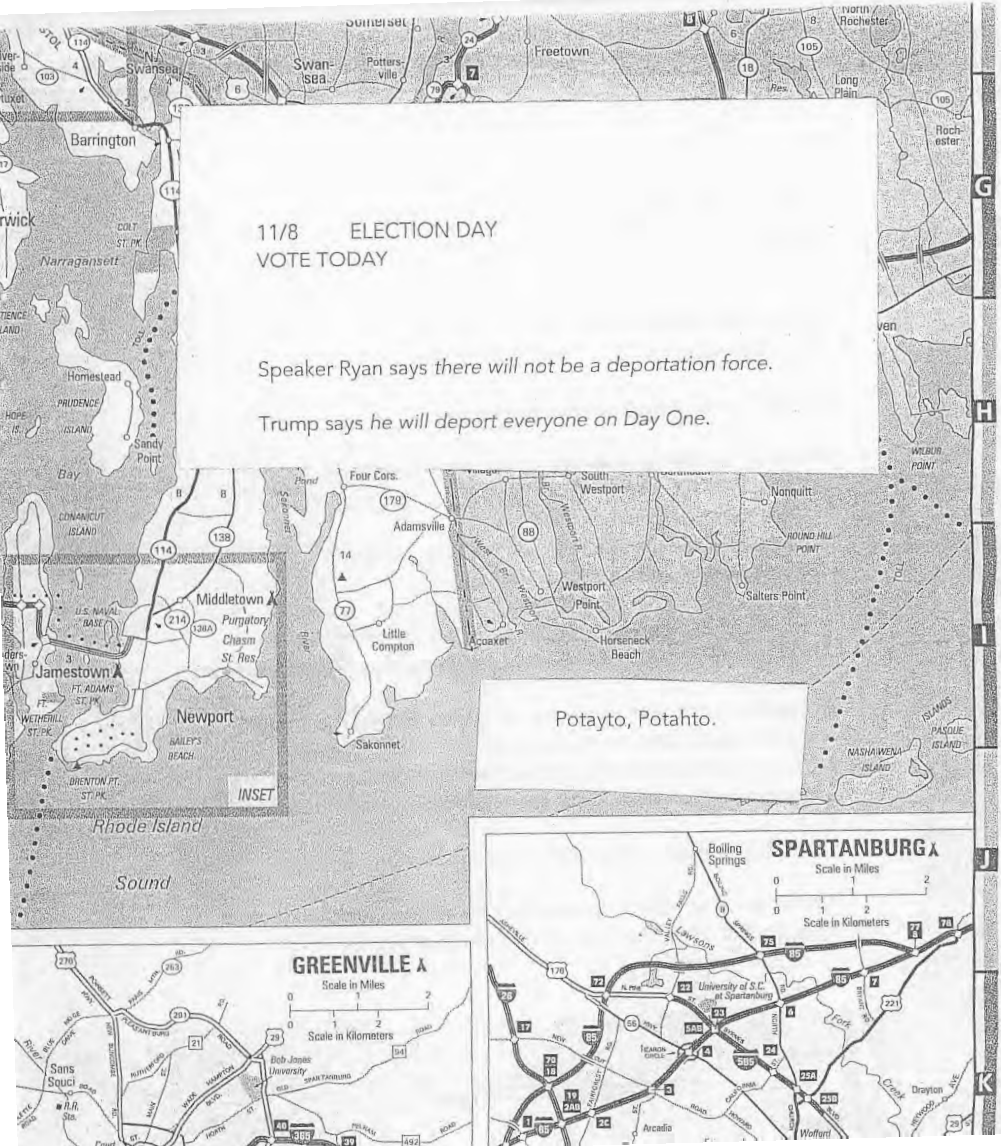
Be sure to check out the links on the Top Ten Urinals List.


11/8 ELECTION DAY
VOTE TODAY
Speaker Ryan says *there will not be a deportation force.*
Trump says *he will deport everyone on Day One.*
Potayto, Potahto.
Swansea
Barrington
Narragansett
Homestead
Sandy Point
Bay
Middletown
Purgatory Chasm St. Res.
Jamestown
Newport
INSET
Rhode Island
Sound
Freetown
Adamsville
Little Compton
Sakonnet
Four Cors.
South Westport
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Boiling Springs
University of S.C. at Spartanburg
Arcadia
Wofford
Drayton

11/9 PROVIDENCE, RI
AS220

You said you feel terrible.
Your DNA says run.

Donald Trump is the President Elect today.

We're in Providence. A weirdo hipster hotel downtown.
A gay bar. AS200, the all-ages art space.

It's supposed to be a great day, or at least a normal day.
The first woman president.

Somewhere, in another dimension, is Hillary president?
Are racists and misogynists super bummed out in another dimension?

Elsewhere, in yet another dimension, Bernie Sanders is president.
He looks just like the old Muppet men who crack bad jokes,
but everyone loves the Muppets and Jim Henson's son builds
a Bernie Muppet and suddenly there's a third old man Muppet in the balcony.

But in this dimension, your DNA screams run.

It reminds me of how crows pass their information through genetics.
If you harm a crow, its offspring will know your face.

It will remember you, forever marked as Enemy.
They have strong eyes, the ultimate facial recognition software.

You have to fight the fear.
Silence = Death holds many meanings.

People keep saying, *We survived Reagan, we can survive this.*

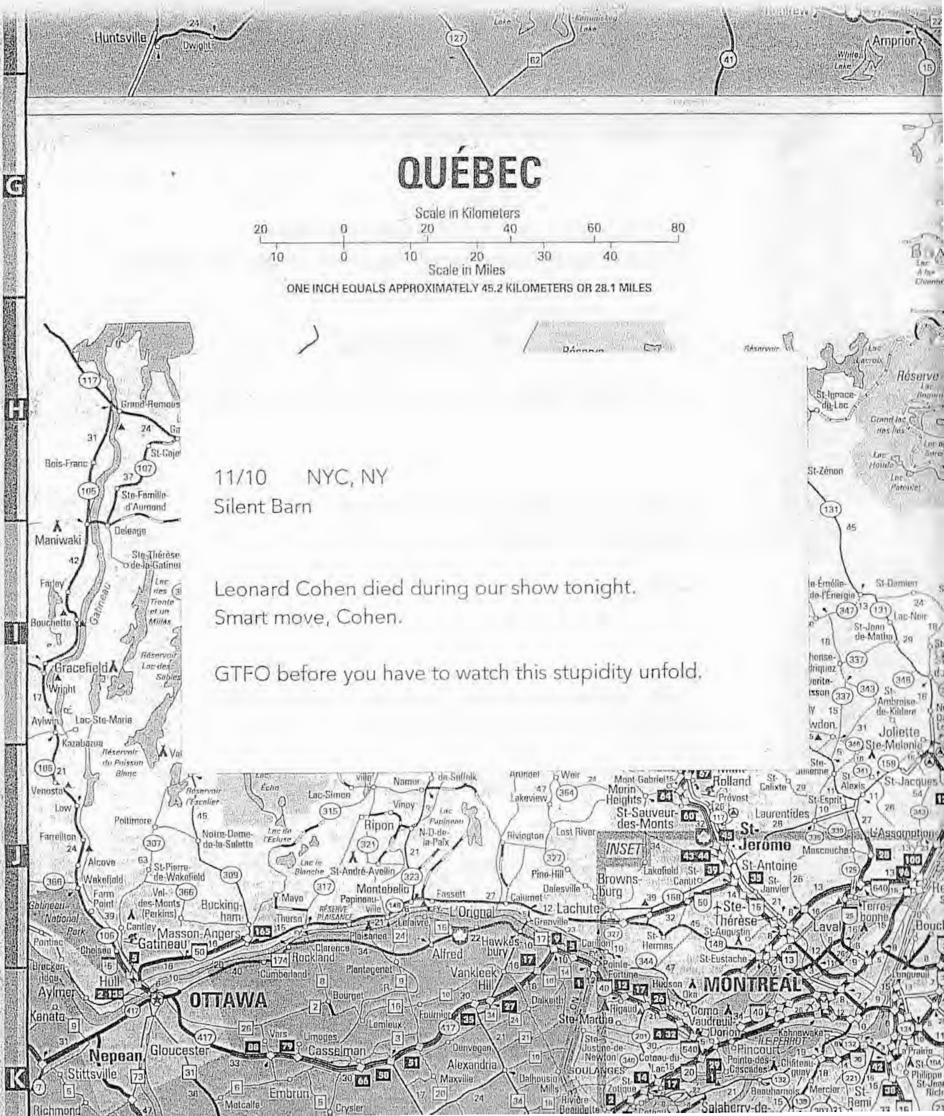
A lot of people did not survive Reagan.
His plague = his legacy.

His Plaugacy?

There is always a monster, but it may not always be in view.
And not every act of bravery is hard.

In fact, some things happen without you even noticing.

Being brave conjures the freedom for you and others to be yourself.
This is something we each have to fight for in our lives.



11/10 NYC, NY
Silent Barn

Leonard Cohen died during our show tonight.
Smart move, Cohen.

GTFO before you have to watch this stupidity unfold.

11/12 PHILADELPHIA, PA
PhilaMoCA

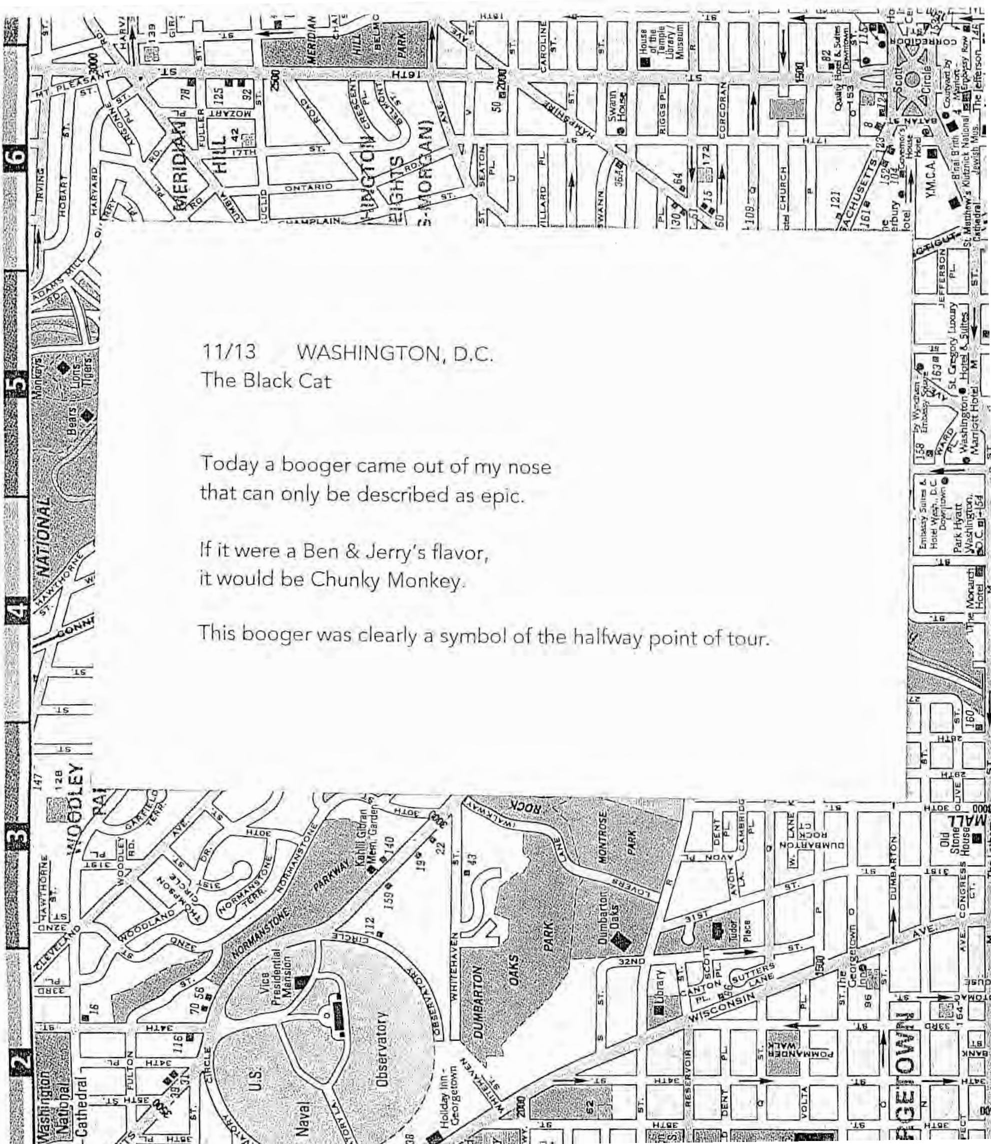
Kim Gordon played here last night.
says the man behind the board.

Should I be impressed?
Did she use the same mic I'm about to use?

Probably not, I bet she brought her own mic.
She's kissed enough rock club mics to know better.

I can tell this man does not want us to play a show here.
His favorite band is playing here tonight.

We are just the hours he wastes between Kim Gordon and
his *favorite* band.



11/13 WASHINGTON, D.C.
The Black Cat

Today a booger came out of my nose
that can only be described as epic.

If it were a Ben & Jerry's flavor,
it would be Chunky Monkey.

This booger was clearly a symbol of the halfway point of tour.

11/14 WASHINGTON, D.C.
16th Street House

There is a man in the crowd.
He is old and he is drunk as fuck.

He is talking.
The room is very small.

We can hear you, you drunk motherfucker.

I'm gonna have a cigarette

I'm gonna go take that guy's guitar
(referring to the guitar Jacob was playing,
while he was playing it, mid-film)

I don't understand this film.

11/15 BALTIMORE, MD
2640 Space

There's an apartment for rent
above the Artist and Craftsman Supply.

I could start a new life here,
waiting for John Waters

and drawing caricatures of people
eating oysters down on the waterfront.

You know, that oyster-eating face.
It's kind of like a kiss and a relaxed asshole combined.

11/16 CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA
Second Street Gallery

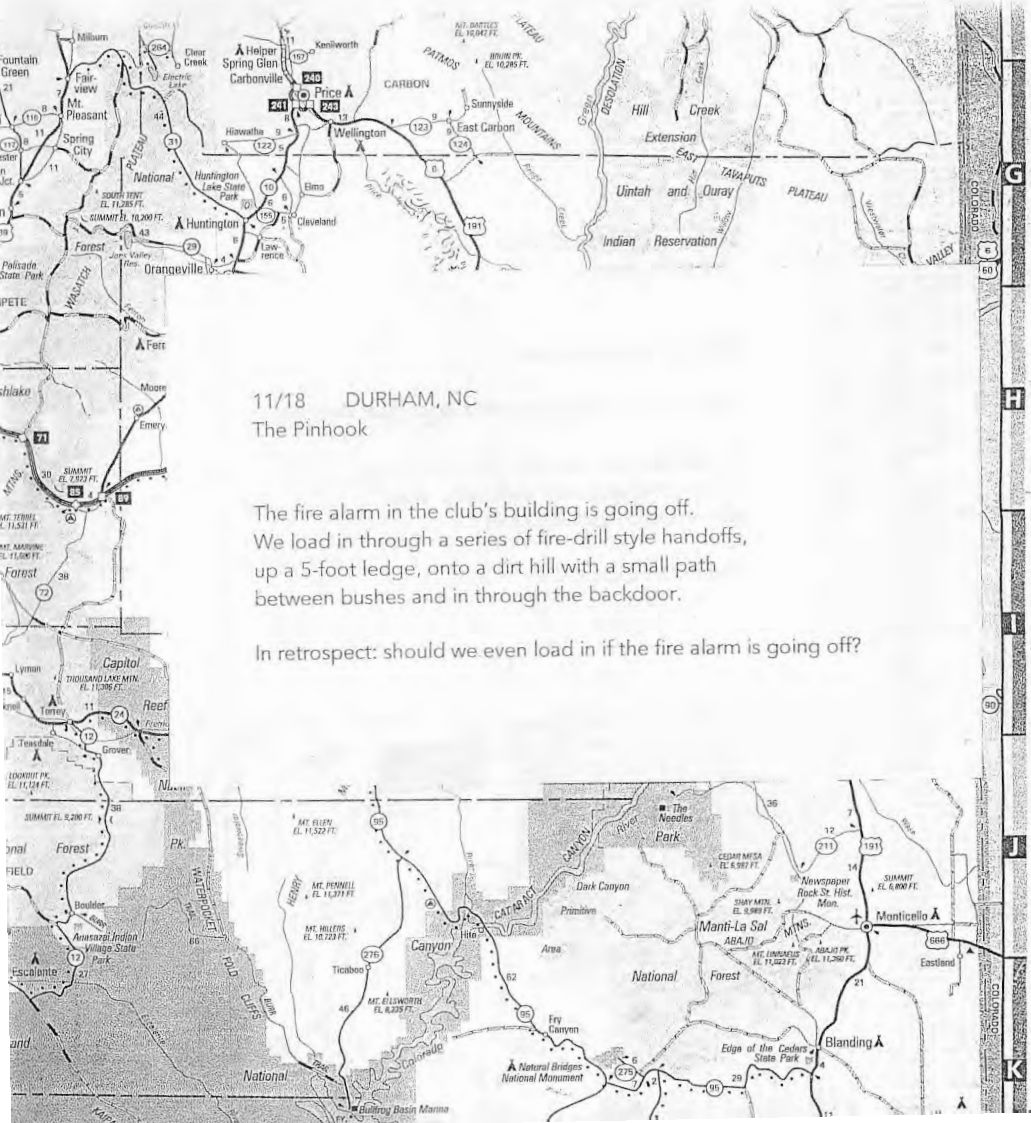
Tonight I have prepared a bite of candied ginger
settled into a melted chocolate square
set atop an oven-warmed ginger snap.

Chopped Junior and weed with old friends.

11/17 RICHMOND, VA
Black Iris

You guys still smoke indoors?

I'm such a fucking weiner.



11/18 DURHAM, NC
The Pinhook

The fire alarm in the club's building is going off.
We load in through a series of fire-drill style handoffs,
up a 5-foot ledge, onto a dirt hill with a small path
between bushes and in through the backdoor.

In retrospect: should we even load in if the fire alarm is going off?

11/19 ASHEVILLE, NC
Christmas Parade

Santa, you motherfucker.

There is a Christmas Parade in downtown Asheville.

It's blocking our access to the food co-op,
which is the last place we need to stop
before we get to Dollywood.

I swear to fucking God.

11/19 PIGEON FORGE, TN
Dollywood

It's Christmas in the Smokey Mountains
and at the Dolly Parton DreamMore Resort,
festive trees dance by the pool every 30 minutes.

A man plays Christmas carols on the piano
and a hotel guest begins to sing in an operatic voice.
He draws a crowd.

There are butterflies everywhere.

We take the butterfly-covered trolley to the theme park.

Love Every Moment

That sign really makes sense
when you eat this much weed.

Zach says, "Is anyone else's heart glowing?"

Absolutely.

11/20 ATLANTA, GA
Mammal Gallery

En route to Atlanta,
we stop in Chattanooga to meet Wayne White.*
Art Legend. Pee-Wee's Playhouse puppet designer.

One half of the art power-couple with Mimi Pond,**
graphic novelist and television writer.

Outside of the Wayne-O-Rama show,
we meet the inventor of Field Notes.

Yeah, he hooked us up.

We've got notebooks and pencils for days.

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* http://www.wayneorama.com/
** http://mimipond.typepad.com/

11/21 ATHENS, GA
Cine

Eight new puppies at Orange Twin.*
I lay on the Earth, covered in

dirt
hay
goats
and puppies.

Wild and hungry, they move in a pack.
What future do they hold?
They know nothing of Donald Trump.
They are born to be wild.

Laura charges the electric bikes.
We ride through the forest down rocky dirt trails.

Past a dead armadillo
past the creek with the swimming hole.

The dogs give chase. Hot wild on wild action.

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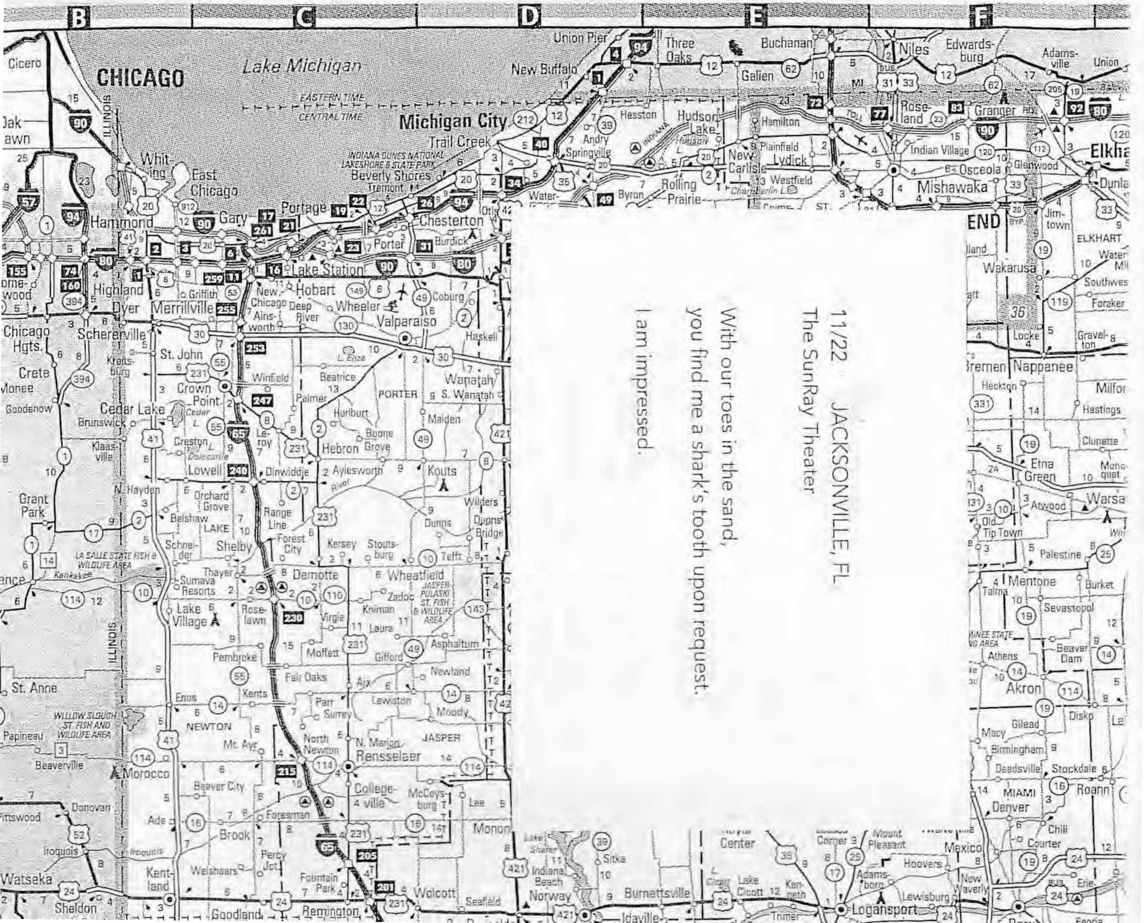


11/22 JACKSONVILLE, FL

The SunRay Theater

With our toes in the sand,
you find me a shark's tooth upon request.
I am impressed.

11/23 PENSACOLA, FL
Florabama

To our left and to our right,
we traverse a condominium canyon.
We journey down the 2-lane road
that straddles the apex of the Perdido Key.

Suddenly, a break in the condos. A roadhouse.

Not any old roadhouse. America's *Last Great Roadhouse*.
The Florabama Bar and Grill (and Atrocity and Heavenly Sight).

It is clear that the neighbors do not like this place.
But it was there before the condos.

Since 1964, this 3½ story wooden roadhouse
has been home to bikers, babes, Jägerbombs & spring breakers.

They sell souvenir red solo cups made of extra thick plastic.

We eat dinner here, outdoors at some dark picnic tables.
We can hear the ocean, but it's too dark out to see it.
Upstairs, 2 different country acts play to packed rooms.
It's the night before Thanksgiving.

AKA Date Night.

11/25 NEW ORLEANS, LA
Zeitgeist Multi-Disciplinary Arts Center

At the Racetrack,

Stef says to *bet on the horse with the stupidest look on its face.*
She bets on Blarp in the 10th race.

As the race begins, it is clear she is
not the only one
with money on this strangely named beast.

To my left and my right: GO BLARP! COME ON BLARP!

Blarp is the winner of the last Thanksgiving day race.

It's an upset.

The racetrack clears out, betting stubs and plastic cups litter the ground.

We all leave to get drunker somewhere else.

11/27 HOUSTON, TX
Super Happy Fun Land

I can see a shift on stage.
Is the light changing?

Black on black, motion.

First I notice one single ant.

Then another.

Then there are hundreds,
all feeding on a mystery blob just behind Jacob's chair.

I don't want to alarm him.
I won't mention it until after this show is over.

11/28 AUSTIN, TX
Fast Folks Cycle

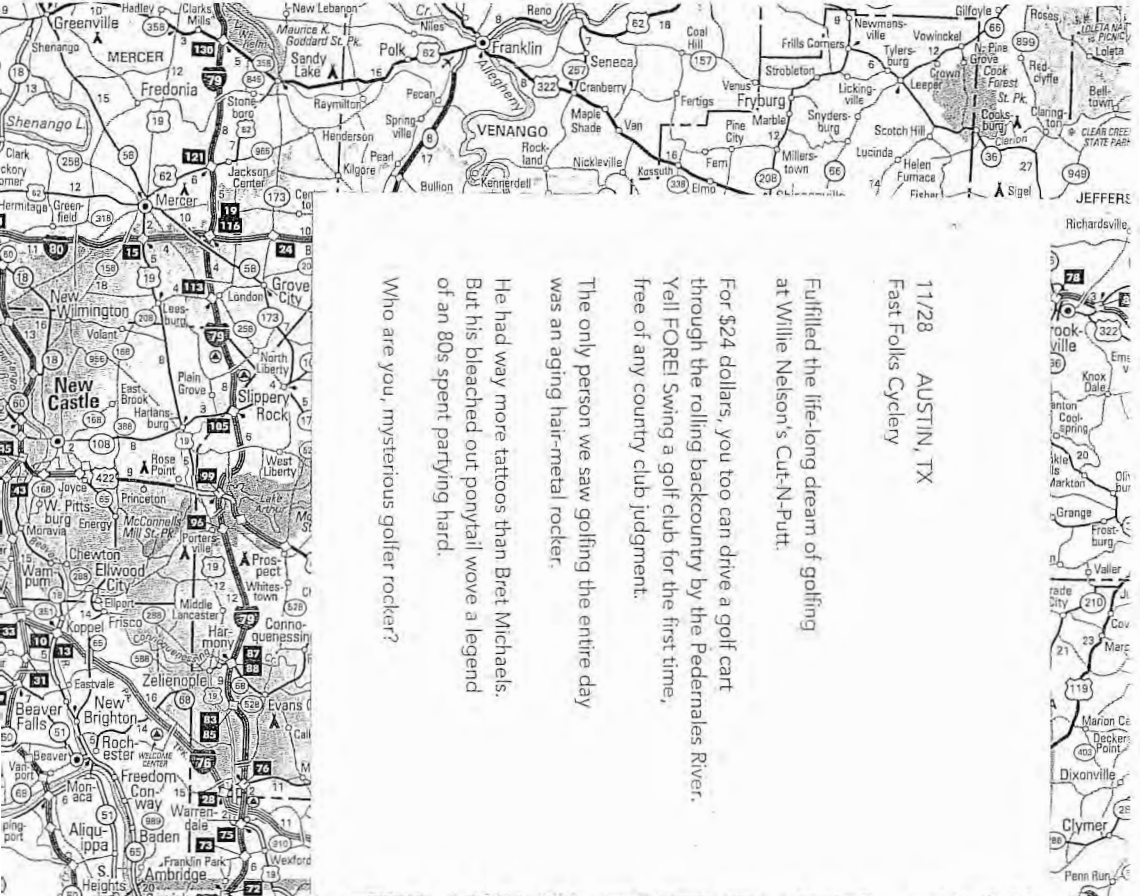
Fulfilled the life-long dream of golfing
at Willie Nelson's Cut-N-Putt.

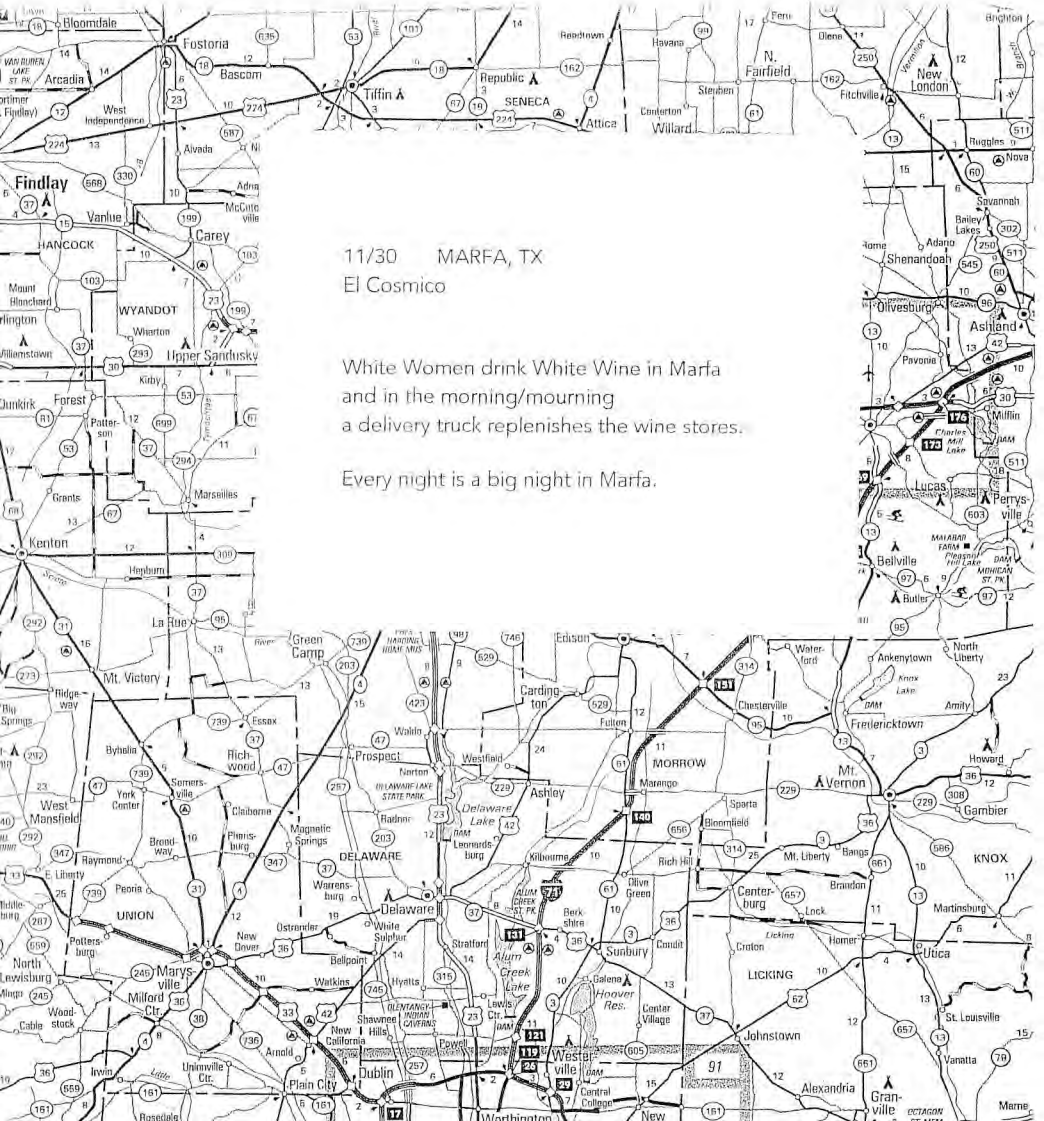
For $24 dollars, you too can drive a golf cart
through the rolling backcountry by the Pedernales River.
Yell FORE! Swing a golf club for the first time,
free of any country club judgment.

The only person we saw golfing the entire day
was an aging hair-metal rocker.

He had way more tattoos than Bret Michaels.
But his bleached out ponytail wove a legend
of an 80s spent partying hard.

Who are you, mysterious golfer rocker?





11/30 MARFA, TX
El Cosmico

White Women drink White Wine in Marfa
and in the morning/mourning
a delivery truck replenishes the wine stores.

Every night is a big night in Marfa.

12/2 PHOENIX, AZ
Trunk Space

The Fry Bread House is
the best place to eat in America,
in my humble opinion.

https://www.yelp.com/biz/fry-bread-house-phoenix-4

Then go to Ranch Market and visit
the expansive Agua Fresca Bar of my dreams.

http://www.losaltosranchmarket.com/

12/3 SAN DIEGO, CA
Che Cafe

Oakland is on fire.
The Ghost Ship set ablaze.

In the middle of the night,
a DIY warehouse caught fire during a show.

36 people are gone.

We spend the day reading updated lists of the missing,
the dead.

Driving through the desert,
Zach points out the spot where
there is a nudist colony in the hills.

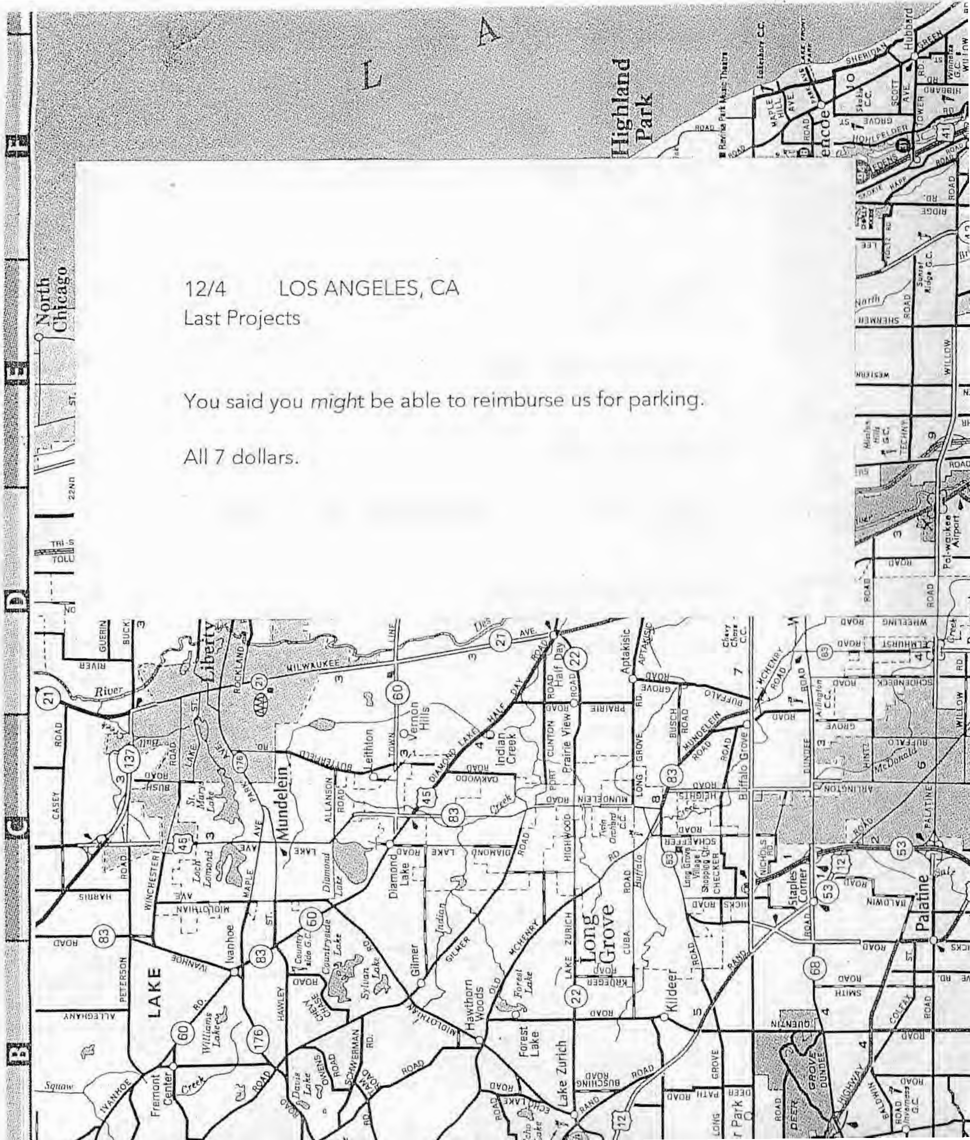
We listen to music by Nick Gomez Hall.
We keep looking for Joey Casio.

Hoping.

12/4 LOS ANGELES, CA
Last Projects

You said you *might* be able to reimburse us for parking.

All 7 dollars.



12/5 LOS ANGELES, CA
Junior High

I walked Hollywood Boulevard for miles,
past the L. Ron Hubbard Santa's Village
to the mall where they sell RuPaul Candy Bars.

I bought you 2 RuPaul Candy Bars.
$20 bucks.

Then I walked back towards the 101
and as I crossed the freeway bridge, heavy with traffic,
a homeless man blocked the whole sidewalk,
aggressively yelling at a sleeping bag.

I got past the yelling man,
past the freeway entrance with no crosswalks,
and found out our show was cancelled,
just as I arrived at the venue.

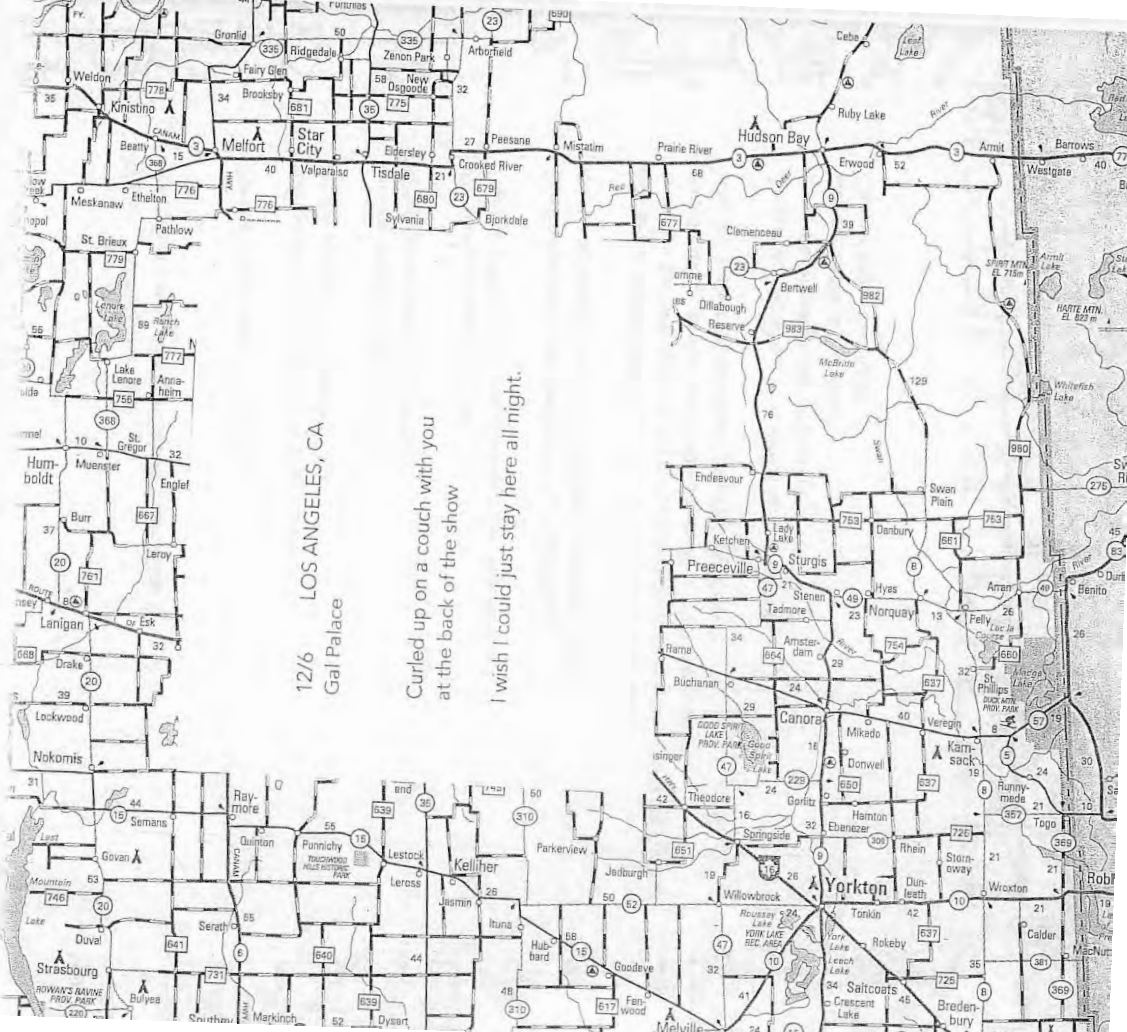
Past the sundown
past the smog
far from here
is my home.

12/6 LOS ANGELES, CA
Studio Visit

You live across the street from Kim Gordon.

Don't worry.
I won't tell anyone.

I'd much rather hang out with you guys anyway.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12/6
Gal Palace
LOS ANGELES, CA
Curled up on a couch with you
at the back of the show
I wish I could just stay here all night.

12/7 EMERYVILLE, CA
First Scandinavia, then the Starline Social Club

There are not words for this day.

We turned our Easy Bay show into a benefit
for the victims of the Oakland Fire.

The Facebook Event went from
90 people to 900 in a few hours.

While driving north from LA.
The city of Emeryville has shut down our show venue.

Our friends got a new venue, it's not big enough,
it's not accessible, but it's this space or no show at all.

Someone wants to sell vegan chai at the original show space
but since the new space is not accessible, they reassess their chai selling plan,
and decide to deliver chai in the Bay Area in the coming weeks.
Why am I stressing out about your chai right now?

Democracy Now! contacts Kimya for an interview.
Reporters message me on Facebook.
Can we come to the show?
Can we cover the show?

Everyone is trying to help in their own ways,
but it's really intense to be in a van going 80 miles an hour
towards what we know will be an extremely emotional night,
complicated by scene politics, press and logistical needs.
Maybe I shouldn't talk about these details?
But these are the things I remember.

The news trucks are outside.
A punk hits the news truck window and gives them the middle finger.

400 people fill the Starline in Oakland.

Crying, grieving, donating.

Some people are way too drunk.
Falling down on their faces,
dancing with garbage cans at the end of the night.

All-ages spaces nationwide are being shut down,
targeted by both law enforcement and fire marshals.
Alt-right nazis claiming the spaces are "hives for liberalism"
are doxing the secret spaces, resulting in hundreds of
concerned citizens, aka nazis, calling to report these spaces.

In Denver, Dallas, Baltimore and Oakland today.
Spaces shut down, tenants evicted with no support, no warning.

This is not the solution.
This is no way to live.

12/8 EMERYVILLE, CA
Outside Scandinavia

I tuck into a bed to read an old copy of ManDate.
There's a centerfold with a naked dude in a pirate eye-patch,
with a parrot sitting on his erect dick.

I turn off the light to sleep.

Shit gets weird.

Loud Men Outside.

Smoking blunts
coughing and hacking.

Then, suddenly, a loud PA, blasting half, just half, of a dance song.

What the fuck?

They blaze more.
They cough and hack more.
They play short, LOUD portions of songs.

I comfort myself by thinking: *this can't go on forever.*

At one point I wake up and say out loud:

Either learn how to smoke a fucking blunt,
or learn how to DJ, but don't suck at both.

At 7:30am, it finally stopped.

LOL WTF 420 PARROT DICKS

12/8 SAN FRANCISCO, CA
ATA

A woman in a wheelchair angrily strikes
a half-full can of energy drink from an ATM
on Polk Street.

Green syrup flies through the air.

She's unfazed and moves on.
She's not here to use the ATM.

San Francisco feels dead and she is Rage Incarnate.

12/9 ARCATA, CA
The Minor Theatre

A sold-out Torrey Pines show in the nation's oldest theater?
Who the fuck saw that one coming?

12/10 WILLIAMS, OR
Williams Grange

A man named Crime offered us a place to stay tonight,
but I have dreams of

an Applebee's
a hotel and
a hot tub

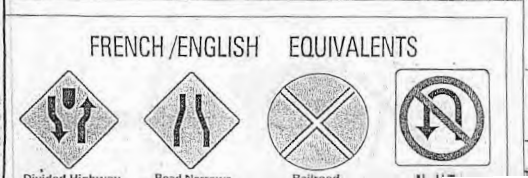
in Grants Pass.

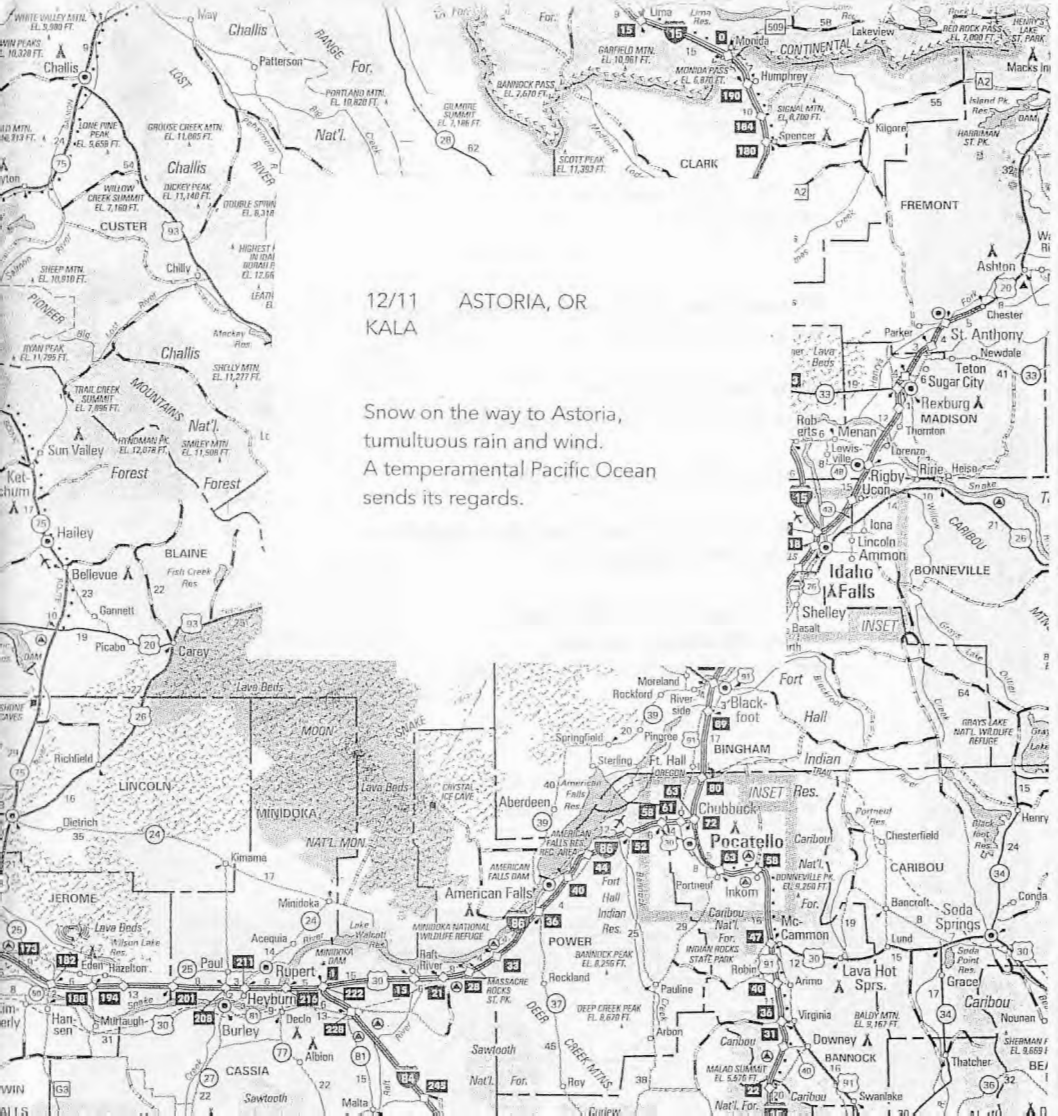
Using my psychic powers,
I find them all in one location.

Chicken Wings
Fries
Pumpkin Pie
and a Budweiser.

Three, for dinner, at the Shari's.

The teens working the motel desk are clearly trying to hook up.
They don't mind if we use the hot tub late into the night.





12/11 ASTORIA, OR
KALA

Snow on the way to Astoria,
tumultuous rain and wind.
A temperamental Pacific Ocean
sends its regards.

12/12 PORTLAND, OR
NW Film Center

If I were to liken any drive in America to a Nirvana record,
this would be the one.

From Astoria to Portland,
we drive back through Washington State.

Longview, that place is no fucking joke.

I'd like to think they have a hot Bear-Logger Scene,
so much plaid and hard wood.

Thick red suspenders, shiny boots,
looking like Smokey the Bear
and all worked up from a day at the mill.

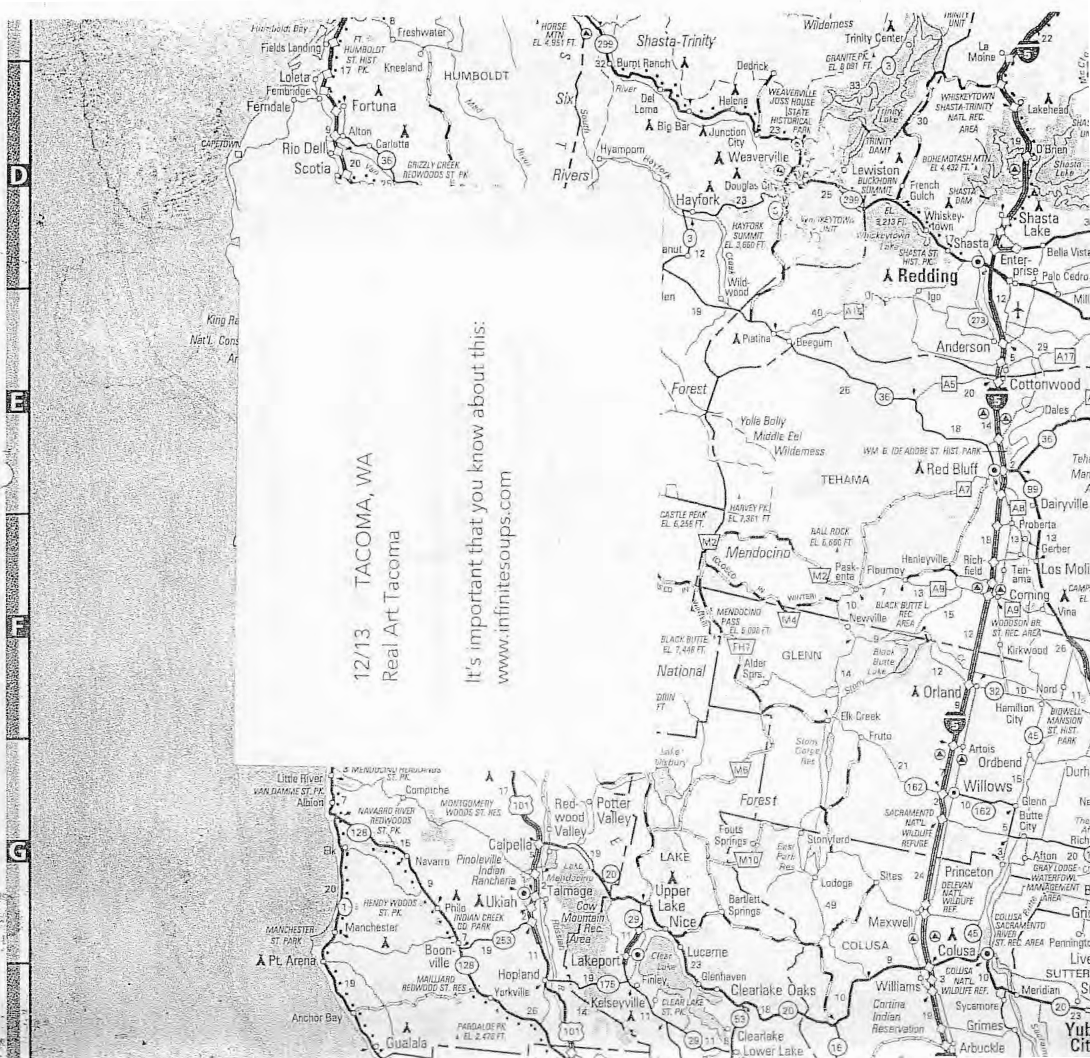
It is painful to drive south on I-5, so close to home.
I'm a negative creep and I'm stoned.

12/13 TACOMA, WA

Real Art Tacoma

It's important that you know about this:

www.infinitesoups.com



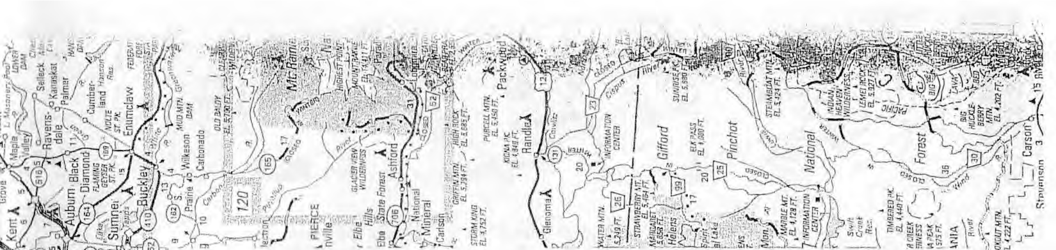
12/14 BELLINGHAM, WA
Pickford Film Center

Is it possible that the more you love,
the more you can love?

I think I understand love and compassion
more right now. Why is that?

The fire in Oakland?
Is my heart opening up?

I sound like a fucking hippie.
I am too stoned.



12/15 SEATTLE, WA
Henry Art Gallery

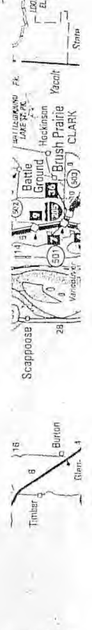
Your subletter has been puffin' pounds for weeks.
Living on another plain, somewhere between the future and the past
moving in and out of time, high as hell, between sleep and awake.

It's always 420 somewhere in the future.
And somewhere in the future is a place for us.

A place where gender means freedom.

Another dimension.

It's not a fantasy.



The Torrey Pines Film Tour took place from October 13th to December 15th 2016 in North America. We drove 15,000 miles and performed in 42 states and 4 Canadian provinces.

On tour: Clyde Petersen, Zach Burba and Jacob Jaffe.
Special Guests: Lori Goldston, Lauren Ashley Moore, Joseph P. Traina and Kimya Dawson.

We performed 60 shows with a live score at museums, galleries, film festivals, movie theaters, colleges, malls, DIY spaces, warehouses, three bars, one hotel lobby, two bicycle shops, one queer gym and the oldest movie theatre in the country.

You can find out more about Torrey Pines by visiting:

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